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German Troops Enter Rumania

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"CHANGE-OVER IN HUNGARY EFFECTED WITH REGENT'S APPROVAL"

ANKARA, March, 23.

German troops are moving from Hungary into Rumania, it was reported here today.

LONDON, March 23: The Germans confirm the occupation of Hungary by German troops. The Germans now claim that the change-over was effected with the approval of the Hungarian regent, Admiral Horthy.

The Swiss radio reported from Hungary early to-day that German troops entering Hungary have met with resistance at several points and sharp fighting has occurred.—Reuter.

Rumanian Premier For Hitler's Hq.

LONDON, March 23.

Vichy radio said to-day that the Rumanian Prime Minister, Marshal Antonescu, and the deputy Prime Minister, Mihail Antonescu, have left Bucharest for Hitler's Headquarters "for a conference of great importance".

Reuter adds that according to Swiss reports, Prime Minister Antonescu visited Hitler earlier in the month.

Call To Rumanian Leaders

LONDON, March 23: Another warning to the Rumanian people was broadcast by the B. B. C. European service to-day. The broadcast said "Rumanian leaders have been summoned to Hitler's headquarters. Of two evils, you must choose the lesser. If you oppose Germany, Germany will wreak her vengeance on you but if you oppose the Allies, even a worse fate is in store. You now have a direct opportunity of contributing towards shortening the war. German transport is exposed and runs through Rumania. Concerted evidence of desire to help the Allies now would be the first step towards Rumania's survival".

Hungary's Task

LONDON, March 23: The German news agency quoting its diplomatic correspondent Doctor Siegfried Horn last night made the following comment on the Hungarian situation: "The official statement issued now shows that Hungary will be called upon to play a more active part within the framework of Europe's defensive struggle against Bolshevism and against British, American and Allied intrigues with it. It emerges clearly that the measures taken by Germany and Hungary in their own interests as well as in that of Europe as a whole do not jeopardise Hungary's independence or diminish her rights. Time and again it has been pointed out in Germany that the war seems to be speeding towards a decisive turning point. Under such conditions, it would have been irresponsible to neglect any one of the safeguards which might contribute to final victory."—Reuter.

Schedule Of Foreign Cotton Control Order Extended

BOMBAY, March 23.

A Press Note issued by the Textile Commissioner says:

By notification in a 'Gazette Extraordinary' issued on March 14 the Government of India extended the schedule of the Foreign Cotton Control Order of 1944 to include cotton from Sudan, Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika as well as Egyptian cotton. This means that no sales of foreign cotton of the descriptions named may be made from stocks already in this country except under a license issued under the Foreign Cotton Control Order of 1944. Hitherto such licences were necessary only for Egyptian cotton; now they are necessary for Sudan, Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika as well as Egyptians.

Further, for the guidance of the trade, it is explained that, in order to ensure a fair distribution of the available East African and Sudan cottons, sales to mills by importers will only be allowed according to allocations which will be made with due regard to mills' requirements, their consumption, stocks, etc., over the calendar year 1940, 1941 and 1942 cognizance being taken of mills' needs for priority war orders. Details of such arrangements will be announced later.—A. P.

Savarkar For Poona

POONA, March 23: Dr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, is arriving here on 25th of March and will be addressing a meeting to be held in connection with Vikramaditya celebrations on that day. Mr. N. C. Kelkar is presiding on the occasion.—A. P.

New Marathi Daily For Poona

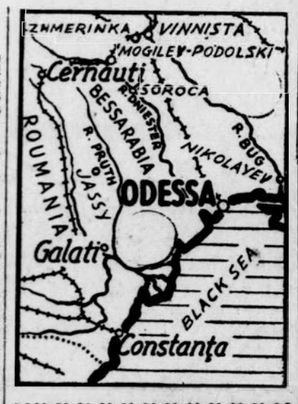
POONA, March 23.

A new Marathi Daily named 'Agrani' will be published from Poona from March 25, the Hindu New Year's Day under the editorship of Mr. N. V. Godse. The aim of the paper will be to interpret, propagate and support the policy of Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha.—United Press.

New Tamil Daily For Madras

MADRAS, March 23.

The Government of India have accorded sanction for the publication of a new Tamil Daily in Madras. The paper will be named as "Dinamani" and will commence publication by the middle of April next under the editorship of Mr. T. S. Chockalingam.—United Press.



Hungarian Legation In Stockholm, Breaks With Budapest

STOCKHOLM, March 23.

The whole personnel of the Hungarian Legation here including Minister Ulein Reviczky have announced that they have "broken off relations with the Budapest Government."

AMERY ON BENGAL FAMINE TOLL

WESTMINSTER, March 23.

About 6,89,000 people died in the recent Bengal famine. This figure was given by Mr. Amery in the Commons today. He said that he was very glad that very much larger figure quoted in some quarters had turned out to be erroneous but he was not minimising the extent of the appalling calamity.—Reuter.

Germans Face Collapse Near Black Sea Port

LONDON, March 23.

The latest dispatch from Moscow states that the Germans are to-day facing a collapse at Nikolaiev, the great Blacksea Port at the mouth of the River Bug.

After taking up positions to command the last sea exits from the port, General Malinovsky's men are moving in for the main assault on the city with Soviet guns roaring in a narrow arc running from the north-east to the southern approaches.

Along the eastern shore of the Bug estuary, Soviet storm troops are cleaning up the last German strongpoints almost at the gates of the city while from the north-east, the Red Army is within seven miles of it.—Reuter.

Stage Set For Chaplin's Trial

LOS ANGELES (California), March 23: Film comedian, Charlie Chaplin will be tried by a jury consisting of seven women and five men which was finally chosen on revision after two days' interrogation of the panel. The jury women are mostly housewives. The jury men include the care-taker, a retired farmer, and a bank employee and an oil company advertising representative.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN SENATE PASSES REFERENDUM BILL

CANBERRA, March 23: The Australian Senate to-day passed the Referendum Bill on its Third Reading by 19 votes to 17 following a stormy all-night debate which completed the committee stages of the Bill.

The Bill has now passed through both Houses. It seeks further powers for the Commonwealth Government to facilitate post-war reconstruction.—Reuter.

K. M. Munshi In Lahore

LAHORE, March 23.

Mr. K. M. Munshi, ex-Home Minister, Bombay Government, is on a professional visit to Lahore. He appeared to-day on behalf of the Tribune Trust at the Lahore High Court in the appeal in connection with the refund of about one lakh of rupees deposited by the Trust as income-tax during the pendency of their appeal to the Privy Council against the assessment. The Trust, it may be recalled, was declared a charitable institution and as such was exempted from assessment.—A. P.

Profiteering In Gold

S. A. Senator Criticises Sales In India

CAPETOWN, March 23.

In the Senate, Senator S. J. Smith (Labour) said that according to a recent newspaper report, Britain was buying gold from the Union for eight guineas an ounce and selling it to India for fourteen sterling an ounce. Imports into South Africa from India had increased considerably, but was South Africa getting the benefit of higher exchange rate in her trading with India? If not, was the British Government or the Bank of England getting profit out of favourable exchange? The Minister of Finance, Mr. Hofmeyr, said that the amount fifty thousand sterling for "exchange on remittances" had nothing to do with trade with India—it was for exchange on payments Britain for war obligations. The higher price of gold in India had been considered and would not be overlooked, but he could give no more details now.—Reuter.

ARMY MAN SENTENCED

For Removal Of Images From Jain Cave

NASIK, March 23.

A sentence of eighteen months' rigorous imprisonment was awarded to Muhammad Ashraf Naik, belonging to His Majesty's Forces by the Resident Magistrate, Nasik, on the charge of removing images from the Jain cave near Mahasrul, four miles from Nasik city.

It will be recalled here, that acts of vandalism were reported to have been committed by some unknown persons in the Caves known in the Jain Mythology as Gaja Pantha, and some images were found missing.

Civil and Military police conducted inquiries into the matter, and some of the missing images are stated to have been recovered from Muhammad Ashraf in the search made subsequently.—United Press.

RAILWAY SABOTAGE CASE

BELGAUM, March 23.

A unanimous verdict of not guilty was returned by the Jury and the Assessors in respect of 35 accused in a Sabotage Case which is being tried by the Additional Sessions Judge, Belgaum.

The charges against the accused were that they were responsible for burning the Sulebhavi Railway Station on the Belgaum-Miraj line in February last year and depriving the police guards there of their uniforms and rifles.

Judgment will be delivered on April 3.—A. P.

Security Demanded From "Journalist"

The publisher of 'The Journalist,' Mr. Ganesh Padbidri, has been asked to furnish a security of Rs. 1,000 by the Government of Bombay before March 28. Action was taken against him following the publication of two articles on Subhas Chandra Bose and China in the December issue of the periodical.

STUDENT JAILED

NEW DELHI, March 23: The Additional District Magistrate, Delhi, convicted to-day Baldev Pershad, a student on a charge of possessing prejudicial literature and sentenced him to undergo six months' R. I. The accused was arrested on January 26 near the Delhi University.—A. P.

M.L.A. RELEASED

PATNA, March 23: Mr. Mathura Prasad and Thakur Ramanandan Singh, M.L.A., were released yesterday unconditionally. Mr. Mathura Prasad said that the health of Dr. Rajendra Prasad, with whom he was staying in jail, was quite normal now, and due care was taken for his treatment.—United Press.

CONGRESS WORKER ARRESTED

PATNA, March 23.

Pandit Balburam Sharma, an old Congress worker of seventy was arrested here yesterday on a charge of having circulated prejudicial leaflets under his signature.—United Press.

"Pakistan Day" In Bombay

"Division of India is of paramount importance. Muslim League will never reconcile itself to the overlordship of any community or dominated by any kind of Government by the Hindus. Though the Hindus and Muslims lived together in one country, both the communities never blended themselves into one nation". Observed Mr. Missaji E. Patel in the course of his speech delivered at a meeting of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League for the observance of 'Pakistan day' at Kaiser Baug on Thursday evening, when Mr. J. J. Chundrigar presided.

Continuing Mr. Missaji Patel stated that the Hindus had begun to realise the necessity and importance of Pakistan.

Mr. A. H. Mirza said that the Hindus had not yet realised the implications of Pakistan.

Mr. F. A. Munshi appealed for support of the League's aims and objects.

Mr. Shamshul Islam explained the origin and the significance of Pakistan.

Mr. I. I. Chundrigar in the course of his speech said that the British Government or the Government of India would never agree to the partition of India. There should be no attempt on the part of any community for the blending of the Hindus and Muslims, in as much as it would only result in the waste of time and energy. The only solution would be the establishment of Pakistan.

During the day about 50,000 Pakistan Flags were sold.

FRANKFURT & BERLIN BOMBED

33 Allied Aircraft Missing

LONDON, March 23.

The Air Ministry announces that bomber-command last night sent out over a thousand aircraft with Frankfurt as the main objective. Thirty-three aircraft are missing.

First reports indicate that the attack was well concentrated. Large fires were left burning with smoke rising to a great height.

"Mosquitos" attacked objectives in Berlin and western Germany.

Many mines were laid in enemy waters. Thirty-three of our aircraft are missing."

Bombs Dropped Over London Area

LONDON, March 23.

During last night's raid on this country a small number of German aircraft flew over parts of south-east England, some reaching the London area. Bombs were dropped at scattered points causing little damage. No one was seriously injured.—Reuter.

International Charter Of Social Rights

MONTREAL, March 23.

A new International Charter of social rights is to be presented to the member countries of the International Labour Office at the 26th Conference opening in Philadelphia on April 4.

A report issued by the secretariat of the I.L.O. here declares: "All human beings have the right to pursue both material well-being and spiritual development in conditions of freedom dignity economic security and equal opportunity. The attainment of the conditions in which this is possible must constitute central aim of national and international policy."—Reuter.

At Cassino

Slow Allied Progress

U. S. Positions Still Precarious

WASHINGTON, March 23.

The United States Secretary of War, Mr. Henry Stimson, stated at a press conference to-day that American positions at Cassino are still precarious. This was due, he said, to the "subsequent infiltration of German troops after the preliminary bombing had practically wiped out the town. The nature of the German defence, here should be another sober reminder of the strength of the enemy." He added.—

SLOW ALLIED PROGRESS

Bitter hand-to-hand fighting continued inside Cassino where the Allied progress remains slow.

General Freyberg's New Zealanders made some progress in their thrust to the west of Cassino towards the slopes of Monte Cassino where the Fifth Army holds several strong hill points. These were again supplied by parachute yesterday as the connecting mountain roads have either been blasted out of existence or are exposed to constant shell fire.—Reuter.

VESUVIUS IN EMISSION AGAIN

LONDON, March 23: Reuter's special correspondent cabling from Naples at three o'clock this afternoon (Thursday), said an hour ago another colossal fountain of lava burst from Vesuvius and can still be seen coiling upwards a cream grey mass against a deep blue sky. The Vesuvius summit which is wreathed in mist and smoke is now covered with thickish snow similar to the adjacent peak.—Reuter.

Travancore Maharaja's Sudden Departure

BOMBAY, March 23.

TRIVANDRUM: H. E. Rama Varma, nephew of H. H. the Maharaja of Travancore, died here on Wednesday.

His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore who was having a brief Holiday in Bombay, suddenly left by special plane to-day for Trivandrum on learning of his nephew's death. His Highness was accompanied by his mother and his brother the Elaya Raja.

TRIVANDRUM, March 23: The cremation took place this morning near the fort accompanied by customary military honours and religious rites. The Dewan and other leading officials and non-officials attended.—A. P.

Khuro Talks With Jinnah

LAHORE, March 23.

Mr. M. A. Khuro, Revenue Minister, Sind, who arrived here last night from Karachi, had an hour's talk with Mr. Jinnah about certain recent developments in Sind. Mr. Khuro is returning to Karachi tomorrow morning.—A. P.

Women Workers On Strike

NASIK, March 23.

Women labourers in the Public Works Department of the Nasik City Municipality have gone on strike, following rejection by the Municipal authorities of their demand to increase their wages.

They are being paid at eight annas a day, and the workers have demanded an increment of two annas in view of the rise in prices.—United Press.

ADJOURNMENT NOT ALLOWED IN ORISSA ASSEMBLY

CUTTACK March 23.

The Speaker in the Orissa Assembly today did not allow Swami Bichitrananda Das' adjournment motion to discuss the Government order banning meetings and processions, etc., and for discussion of criticism of the Central Government or Provincial Government in regard to procurement and distribution of foodgrains —United Press.

POUNDING OF JAP POSITIONS IN TIDDIM AREA

(From Mr. D. F. KARAKA)
"Chronicle" Special War Correspondent.

Headquarters, Fourteenth Army, March 22:

It must be recalled that a S.E.A.C.'s spokesman is reported to have said in a recently published message from New Delhi that Japs would not take it lying down. This was said as a comment on the glider operation whereby Allied troops were landed successfully behind enemy lines somewhere in Central sector of Burma front.

The war is being divided for the sake of simplification into three main sectors, one in the Arakan in the south, the other in the north where Stilwell is operating with his American boys, and the third roughly in the centre somewhat parallel to the Chindwin River.

To-day, according to news available here at Headquarters of the 14th Army the Japs appear to have in a way fulfilled the S.E.A.C. spokesman's prophecy with this difference, that their offensive is directed not towards the newly landed air-borne troops behind their lines, but directed westwards.

It has already been reported that Japs have crossed the Chindwin. This drive now appears to have taken more concrete shape and the important thing is the direction. This direction appears to be the main Kohima-Imphal Road which runs roughly 60 miles from north to south.

JAP TROOPS IN SOMRA TRACTS

The actual position of the Japanese forces from reliable information available here is estimated to be in the region of Somra Tracts which are technically on our side of the India-Burma border. While on paper, this Jap offensive appears to be a menace to Allied forces, it is obvious that the Jap is laying himself open to attack at a spot where he can be got at and struck. Whether his bravado is wise or not cannot be estimated for yet a while. It is expected that there will be some hard fighting in these parts and on territory hitherto "uninnoculated" to war, unlike parts in Burma which have become immune to hard fighting on their ground.

There appears therefore to be some promise of more contact on the eve of the monsoon. The Jap is likely to make an attempt on a comparatively larger scale than he has done for sometime, but it is equally certain that the resistance to that attempt will be in keeping with the drive.

Meanwhile the heartening news reaches here that the Vultee Vengeances of Baldwin's tactical air force are dishing out an awful pounding to enemy positions in the Tiddim area that is south of Imphal. According to one report the weight of bombs unloaded on Jap positions during the last week exceeds by more than three times that of any previous weeks. The Jap seems to have stretched his neck out an awful long way to take the slap on his face and it will be pleasant to deliver it to him on Indian soil.

"IMPHAL FRONT WILL BE CENTRE OF NEWS"

Headquarters of the Fourteenth Army, March 23:

Although in the large sense of the war in Burma all three sectors mentioned in my dispatch yesterday are important and referred to in the day's 'communique', it would appear that the focal point of the war is at present the Central sector better known as the Imphal front. This morning's 'communique' available at the Headquarters of the 14th Army says: 'Inter alia "in Somra Hill tracts, one of the Japanese columns is still engaged by our troops in the same area in which contact was made with it some 48 hours ago.

The present enemy activity on Imphal front indicates the shape of things to come. It has already been accepted that the offensive is "a major offensive". Therefore, if this is expected to be a major offensive it would be presumed that Japs would have to bring over sufficient troops to make it a major offensive and for that, they would necessarily have to cross the Chindwin at more than one point. Moreover, looking at the direction of the two Jap forces opposing us on the Imphal front, namely, one westwards towards the Kohima-Imphal Road and the other near Tiddim in the direction of Imphal, it is obvious that the Jap would like his two forces to meet at Imphal, the capital of the ancient state of Manipur. His object appears to be to sit astride the thick of the Indo-Burma border. This operation will, thefore, be taken most seriously by both sides and consequently, the Imphal front will be in the centre of news for the next few days.

Congress M. L. A.'s Talks With "C. R." And Mrs. Naidu

NEW DELHI March 23.

Members of the Congress Party in the Assembly are awaiting the arrival of their leader Mr. Bhulabhai Desai after a lapse of some four years and are looking forward to the party meeting called for March 26 at which he will preside and decisions will be taken about the future of the party's activities in the Assembly. Efforts are being made to summon to the meeting as many as possible of the members who are outside jail and have not yet arrived in Delhi.

Members who are in Delhi have had informal talks with Mrs. Naidu and heard her views on the decision taken on their own initiative to participate in the proceedings of the Assembly "as and when necessary." It is felt by many of them that the time has come when some definite lead should be sought from Mr. Desai and the position regularised.

Members have also had talks with Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar who is in Delhi.—A. P.

CHURCHILL TO BROADCAST TO NATION ON SUNDAY

LONDON, March 22.

Prime Minister Churchill will broadcast to the nation on Sunday next at 8 p.m. G. M. T.—Reuter.

Jap Resistance In Mayu Range Stiffens

ALLIED COLUMN CLOSING IN ON ENEMY POSITION NORTH OF TIDDIM

NEW DELHI, March 23.

On the coastal plain south of Maungdaw and in the western foothills of the Mayu Range, enemy resistance appears to be stiffening, says to-day's communique from Allied Headquarters, South-East Asia Command.

Further to the north, our troops have made two attacks on a Japanese position. These were followed by a small enemy attack on one of our defended localities.

To the east of the Mayu range, mopping up still continues on the hill features north-west of Buthidaung. Further to the east, Japanese troops made six attacks against our positions west and south of Buthidaung, all of which were successfully beaten off with casualties to the enemy. On the 22nd March, our troops continued to improve their positions south and south-west of Buthidaung, and in this area, the enemy have been driven from some of their positions.

In the Kaladan, West African troops carried out a successful raid on an enemy gun position during the 21st March, in which two field guns were destroyed. An enemy counter attack was repulsed.

In the Chin hills, the position remains unchanged with our troops still moving to oppose the main Japanese forces in this area. One of our columns is closing in upon a strong enemy position on a hill feature north of Tiddim.

In the Kabaw valley, there has been some enemy artillery activity.

In the Somra hill tracts, the operations reported yesterday against a Japanese column which ads crossed the Chindwin are continuing.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN MOGAUNG VALLEY

On the North Burma front, the Chinese 22nd Division is meeting strong Japanese resistance south-east of Jambu Bum and North-East of Shaduzup. There is heavy fighting in the upper Mogaung valley.

Medium bombers of the strategic air force, Eastern Air Command, on the night of 22/23 March bombed dumps at Taungup. The night before medium bombers attacked objectives in Central Burma, while heavy bombers, whose target was the dumps at Prome, report a large fire seen 60 miles away.

Dive-Bombers and fighters on the 21st and 22nd March maintained their offensive against objectives in the Chin Hills, Chindwin Valley Arakan, Mayu and Kaladan Areas.

Targets in Northern Burma were heavily attacked—A. P.

RADIO DIRECTS BURMA FRONT

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, March 23.

One of the greatest experiments in the use of the radio in warfare is now being conducted in the operation inside Burma, says Alan Humphreys, 'A. P.' Special Correspondent. However many the supply support aircraft available, they must be directed to the right spot and must bring the right supplies. This can only be done by the wireless. So complex and so vast is the wireless set-up that a complete "wireless village" has been established in the rear of the Headquarters maintaining a 24-hour contact with every radio set in the jungle, retransmitting reports, requests and order from column to column, retransmitting similar messages back to the main air base. So vital is the radio link that 100 per cent spares are in hand, and a duplicate "wireless village" established in another area is ready to start up at a moment's notice. A "hundred per cent spares" is almost the rule throughout the whole operation. Every weapon carried is duplicated and can be replaced at the shortest notice by air. There are three spares even down to false teeth and glasses for the men if lost or washed off in crossing rivers. The large reserves of boots which were held have all been broken in by men marching in them. It is now revealed that the R. A. F. is playing a larger part than originally outlined, though the air side of the operation is still predominantly American. The supply-dropping is almost exclusively American by the planes of Brig. General Old's Troop Carrier Command.

Anglo-American co-operation and 100 per cent support for each other has been the basis of the initial success of the forces getting in behind the Japanese in Burma but already there have been instances which have taken such co-operation outside paper plan and operational demands, says Alan Humphreys, 'A. P.' Special Correspondent.

Burma Front Awards

For a daring reconnaissance many miles behind the enemy lines in Burma, Lt.-Col. G. W. Towers, R. E. has been awarded the D. S. O., says a Press Note.

For powers of leadership and command of an exceptionally high standard during four attacks by his company on a hill near Maungdaw, Major Ghulam Qadir, 17th Dogra Regiment, of Amir Village, Nowshera, Peshawar, N. W. F. P., has received the M. C. He inspired his men to feats of gallantry by showing complete calm, even though there were many casualties.—A. P.

"Invasion Of India" In American Press

NEW YORK, March 23: News of the Japanese crossing of the border into India is prominently published in the American evening papers, to-day, (Wednesday), although there is no official comment in Washington.

The New York Journal "American", carries banner lines on its main front page story "Japanese Invade India."

The New York "Sun" discussing the Delhi 'communique' says, "The Japanese patrols are not in sufficient strength to indicate that Allied bombings and the advance of General Stilwell's forces are not making the entire Japanese position in Burma more precarious."—Reuter.

TOJO WARNS DIET "War Situation Truly Grave"

LONDON, March 22: The German overseas' radio has issued a telegram reporting the Japanese Prime Minister Hideki Tojo as telling the Diet to-day (Wednesday), "The war situation in East Asia has become extraordinarily acute in the past few months. Although the heroism of the Japanese soldiers has been able to ward off the first onslaught of the Americans, new attacks must be expected from the stubborn tough enemy who bases his plans on his material superiority. And these new attacks are likely to be launched with greater weight than anything experienced so far.

The war situation is truly grave. The Japanese Empire stands on the threshold of a decisive battle on the outcome of which hangs the fate of our nation."—Reuter.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MAY)

NEW YORK, March 23.

Previous Closing	20.94
To-day's Opening	20.90
Difference	—.04
To-day's Closing	20.93
Difference	—.01

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, March 23.

New York Stock Exchange Opening Prices:

General Motors dol 58-3/4.
Anaconda Copper Mining dol 26-1/2
United States Steel Common dol 53
United States Steel Pref. unquoted.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA March 23.

The market continued easier on selling pressure and share prices in the principal stocks as well as in the speculative were marked down further. Government Securities also ruled quiet.

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Reluctance To Redeem Obligation To Repay India

DR. MATTHAI REPLIES TO BRITISH CRITICS OF 10,000 CRORES PLAN

That the main object of the 10,000 crore plan was to increase the national income threefold within a period of 15 years, so that due to the simultaneous increase of population within that time the income per capita would be doubled, were the highlights of the lecture delivered by Dr. John Matthai, one of the authors of the plan at Green's Hotel, Bombay under the auspices of the Commerce Graduates' Association, on Thursday evening.

Sir Chunilal B. Mehta, who presided while commending the plan wondered why the signatories of the plan had decided to wait till the advent of a National Government. The plan of course, he said, would have to be modified from stage to stage, but considering that the signatories were industrialists who commanded money, public confidence, intellect, experience and influence, it was possible he suggested to put the plan into operation rightaway.

The first part of the scheme, regarding production was out; the second part concerning distribution was on the anvil, and after that, the planners would wait till a National Government came. Why wait so long? queried Sir Chunilal and advised the authors of the plan to give it a trial even under the present Government however good or bad it may be.

"While there are deep cleavages of opinion in the country in other spheres of life, the economic problem is one which affects every section of the population in the same manner and therefore an economic programme may legitimately be expected to offer the widest scope for agreement," observed Dr. Matthai. "I am of opinion that alongside the provision for the fullest expression of the divergent historical, cultural and spiritual traditions in our national life, we can develop the measure of administrative unity required for economic development. The adoption of a predominantly economic programme does not imply the abandonment, to any the slightest extent, of the goal of political freedom, but on the other hand the unity essential to the achievement of political freedom can be attained most speedily on the basis of the countrywide appeal which an economic programme, worth the name, is likely to make."

"The idea of Economic Planning," continued Dr. Matthai, "is a by-product and a projection into the economic sphere of the spirit which has inspired scientific research in recent years that Man has the power to make his own destiny and in fact is responsible for it."

After indicating the targets to be aimed at and the 'modus operandi,' Dr. Matthai proceeded to clarify various aspects of the Plan which had come in for comments and criticisms in the course of the public discussion, which Dr. Matthai said, has been such a welcome feature of the weeks that had elapsed since the Plan was published.

The first criticism to which Dr. Matthai referred was that in respect of the omission of a plan for the distribution of the national income. He explained that the authors of the Plan were now at work on this question and suggested that logically production must be considered before distribution.

"I must point out, however," said Dr. Matthai, "that no comprehensive scheme of social security for providing a National Minimum based on the principle of insurance will be possible until a policy of maximum employment has had time to work itself out and that no insurance scheme is workable until insurable risks are reduced to manageable dimensions and the average income has risen sufficiently to allow of the contributions required for operating any scheme of insurance. Until some sort of equilibrium is reached between the cost of the risk and the ability to contribute, the problem of distribution will have to be tackled on the basis of remedial measures."

The speaker then proceeded to deal with various criticisms in connection with the financial proposals of the Plan. With reference to sterling securities, Dr. Matthai said:—

"The real difficulty in regard to our sterling securities is going to be neither the need for currency reserve of sterling nor the problem of transfer. Both these can be met if there be a will to pay. Unfortunately judging by the trend of recent discussions in the U.K., there appears to be an increasing reluctance to redeem the obligation to repay India."

The speaker made it clear that the regime the Plan had in mind was a democratic Government fully responsible to, and representative of, the Indian people. The Plan envisaged a Government at the centre which had the ability to exercise the direction and enforce the controls inherent in the Plan. At the same time, the actual administration should be delegated to provincial and state governments and to local self-governing agencies on the basis of wide decentralisation subject to the retention by the Central Government of the necessary co-ordinating authority.

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Debate In Corporation

A sum of Rs. 2,00,000 more than the grant made by the Standing Committee for the year 1944-45 for maintaining and aiding primary schools was sanctioned by the Municipal Corporation, at its meeting, on Thursday. Mr. M. R. Masani, the Mayor, was in the Chair.

Dr. Homi F. Pavri, Chairman of the Schools' Committee urged for a grant of Rs. 54,13,000 as contribution from the General Fund as against the grant of Rs. 48,40,000 recommended by the Standing Committee.

He pointed out that the Schools' Committee had made provisions for expenditure under the various heads according to the rules and regulations that were on record and according to the directions of the Corporation given from time to time. A provision of Rs. 27,84,603 as salaries for teachers had been made on the assumption that there would be no shift system in the Municipal Schools during the budget year. Under the present shift system by which two Infants' classes were held by shift on one and the same day under one teacher, each shift lasting for 2-1/2 hours only, children did not get sufficient time to learn all the subjects.

Mr. R. K. Sawant moved an amendment that the grant be increased to Rs. 50,40,000.

Mr. Motichand Kapadia, leader of the Congress Party, spoke in support of the amendment.

Mr. M. D. Bhat, the Municipal Commissioner, stated that after the Standing Committee had decided on the grant, certain things had happened. The dearness allowance of the employees had been increased and he felt that the work done by the Scout movement should be encouraged. He felt that the amendment was reasonable and an adjustment could be made within the margin of 2 lacs. He, however, appealed to the Schools' Committee to revert to the shift system.

The amendment was accepted by the House.

Indian Oversees Dept. To Be Called Commonwealth Relations Dept.

NEW DELHI, March 23

The "United Press" learns that it has been decided to change the name of the Indians Overseas Department of the Government of India to the Commonwealth Relations Department.

It is understood that this Department would deal in all matters connected with India in her relationship with other countries of the British Commonwealth.

The High Commissioners for India in these countries would be under the control and direction of this Department. An official announcement is expected shortly.—United Press.

New Advocates Of High Court

The following candidates have passed the Examination for the office of an Advocate of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, held on the 21st and 23rd February, 1944:—

Nos. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 58 59 60 61 62 63 65 66 67 68 69 70 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 and 90. Total: 85.

(Note 1. The cases of Nos. 57, 64 and 71 are under consideration. Note 2. The Sir Chimnalal Setalvad Golden Jubilee Prize has been awarded to candidate No. 38, who stood first at the Examination).

KARSANDAS MULJI JETHA DEAD

POONA, March 21.—Seth Karsandas Mulji Jetha of Bombay, one of the proprietors of Mulji Jetha Market in Bombay, died here this evening at his residence at Koregaon Park. He was suffering from blood pressure and had come here for a change. He was 60 years of age.—A.P.

'PAKISTAN DAY' IN CITY

"Pakistan Day", the fourth anniversary of the day on which the Pakistan resolution was adopted in 1940 at Lahore was observed in the city with the holding of several meetings, while the Bombay Presidency Muslim League organised a meeting in the night at Kaiser Baug, Dongri, a symposium was held in the evening, under the auspices of the Muslim Students Federation in the hall of the Ismail Beg Mahomed High School.

In the same connection, the Bombay Committee of the Communist Party held two meetings. Com. Sajjad Zaheer presided over both meetings. The earlier one held in the labour area at Pimpal Maidan, Fergusson Road was addressed by Mr. B. T. Ranadive, Maulana Fazlullah Khan, Mr. I. S. Patel and others, who presented the view point of the various political parties on the question of Pakistan. Dr. K. M. Ashraf was the main speaker at the second meeting held at night at Husein Baug, Madanpura.

The symposium at the Ismail Beg Mahomed High School was presided over by Mr. Ismail Beg Mahomed, and addressed by Mr. I. I. Chundrigar, President of the Provincial League, Mr. Akbar Peerbhai and Mr. S. S. Desnavi.

Mr. Beg Mahomed traced the genesis of the idea of Pakistan and pointed out how Mr. M. A. Jinnah who was once regarded as the ambassador of Hindu-Muslim unity had been converted by subsequent experience, to the idea of Pakistan.

Mr. I. I. Chundrigar pointed out that neither racial, nor economic, nor geographic considerations were enough to constitute a state, Only a nation could be a state. And a nation was nothing more than a subjective consciousness of being one. From this point of view Indian Muslims were a nation and must therefore be welded into a state.

Mr. Peerbhai drew a picture of future Pakistan, as one which would guarantee the four freedoms. Freedom from fear meant freedom from war and Pakistan would taboo war. Pakistan would once for all bury the bogey of capitalism where a few controlled the destinies of the many because Islam did not permit of such a state of affairs.

Auditor Acquitted Of Disorderly Behaviour

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Divatia and Mr. Justice Lokur)

E. J. Dastur .....Applicant.

vs.

King Emperor .....Opponent.

The applicant had been convicted by Mr. Oscar H. Brown, Chief Presidency Magistrate, of the offence of disorderly behaviour under S. 122 of the City Police Act and fined Rs. 25.

The Prosecution case was that the applicant an auditor got into an 'A' route bus at Flora Fountain which was filled to capacity and refused to get off when asked by a police officer to do so. It was further alleged that he then got into an argument with the police officer and seized the sleeve of his coat. On that he was charged with disorderly behaviour and convicted as stated above. The applicant approached the High Court in Revision contending that, even assuming he entered into an argument with the police officer as stated by the prosecution it did not constitute disorderly behaviour.

Their Lordships stated that there was no evidence to show what words the applicant had used in the argument with the police officer and that therefore he could not be convicted of disorderly behaviour. Their Lordships therefore set aside the conviction and sentence and ordered the fine, if paid, to be refunded.

Mr. H. I Banaji with Mr. Pochaji Jamshedji appeared for the applicant.

The Government Pleader appeared for the Crown.

LUCKNOW, March 22.

The "United Press" learns that there is no truth in the report that Prof. Amarnath Jha, Vice-Chancellor of the Allahabad University will be appointed as Director of Public Instruction, United Provinces.—United Press.

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How can India deal with a nation like that? There is only one answer. The Japanese must be crushed. Their power for evil must be paralysed for all time. Nothing less than unconditional surrender is enough!

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CITY AND SUBURBS

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Domestic Occurrence

BHATIA UTHAMNA

SHETH KARSANDAS DHARAMSEY SOONDERDAS J. P. (Sheth Mooljee Jaithawala) died at Poona on Tuesday evening. His Uthamna ceremony will be performed on Friday the 24th March 1944 at 3 p.m. (S.T.) at his residence 'Chandra Bhuvan' Nepean Sea Road, Bombay.

To-day's Engagements

SOCIETY FOR PROTECTION OF CHILDREN: The annual general meeting of the Society for the Protection of Children in Western India will be held in the Municipal Corporation Hall today (Friday) at 6-30 p.m. (N S T).

ASTHIKA SAMAJ RAMA NAVAMI FESTIVAL: 8 p.m. Inauguration by Mr. Doraswami Sastri and 9 p.m. Sundaramma Raghaviah, Veena and Vocal music.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on "Body and Astral Body" from the Ocean of Theosophy by W. Q. Judge. Jehangir Wadia Building Flora Fountain today (Friday) at 6-15 p.m.

TALYARKHAN'S LECTURE: Lecture on "Nation-building Through Sports" by A. F. S. Talyarkhan at 6-30 p.m. today at Nagpada Neighbourhood House.

PATHARE PRABHU SOCIAL SAMAJ: A special condolence meeting will be held today (Friday) at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) in the N. D. Prabhu Seminary Hall, Bhai Jivanji Lane, Thakurdwar, Bombay to mourn the death of Mr. Vinayakrao Sakharam Kothare.

ON THE CHINDWIN FRONT: K R. Purohit, a journalist who has just returned from the Assam-Burma front will broadcast an eye-witness account in Marathi of the operations near the river Chindwin from the All-India Radio Bombay at 8-45 p.m. today (Friday).

HINDUSTANI NATIVE MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION: The office of the Hindustani Native Merchants' Association and the business of its members will remain closed on Saturday the 25th instant on account of the celebration of Vikram Jayanti.

BUDDHA SOCIETY: Pandit Jagadish Chandra Chatterjee, formerly Director of Oriental Research in Kashmir and sometime Director of the India Academy of America in New York, is now in Bombay for lectures and other work on the various branches of India's ancient philosophy and Dharma, particularly on the Teachings of the Buddha will be available every week-day excepting Saturdays from 5-30 to 6-30 p.m. (S. T.) at Nair Building (2nd floor, Powells Ltd. Building), Lamington Road, for any serious student-enquirers who may be interested in philosophic and spiritual studies.

BISHOP OLANO IN THANA

Bishop Olano in the absence of the Archbishop of Bombay who was unable to be present due to illness, administered Confirmation to over a hundred children in St. John the Baptist Church, Thana on Tuesday morning.

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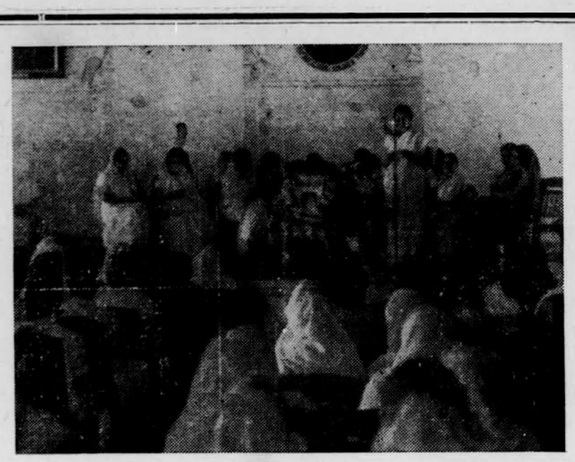


A meeting was held at the Blavatsky Lodge, on Wednesday evening, under the auspices of the B. P. Women's Council, in memory of Kasturba. The photo shows Mrs. S. R. Dongerkerry addressing the gathering over which she presided.

Kasturba Memorial Fund

Mr. P. A. WADIA, President, Freedom Group writes:

None of you can be unaware of the National Memorial Fund for perpetuating the memory of Shrimati Kasturba Gandhi that has been sponsored by Indians of National fame. The trustees of the Fund are also persons in whom all India has perfect confidence. The objects of the Fund which are as laudable as the purpose for which it is started, are the furtherance of the cause of Indian women. It is proposed to collect at least Rupees seventy-five lakhs before the seventy-fifth birthday of Gandhiji, which is due in only six months.

You are no doubt also aware that wherever possible the Freedom Group has upto now helped to the best of its ability in the collection of funds for national and laudable objects. Even before this National Memorial Fund was announced, Messrs. K. and J. Cooper, Publishers, placed in my hands a cheque for Rs. 5,000 for any fund that may be started to perpetuate the memory of Ba.

I am quite confident that you also will donate with the utmost liberality towards this Fund. As usual, you may send your contributions to Mr. M. J. Gazdar at Bombay House, Bruce Street, Fort, or to me at Hormazd Villa, Cumballa Hill, Bombay 26. If the official receipts are not with us, we shall in the first instance send you receipts under the signatures of either Mr. M. J. Gazdar or myself, and will later send you the official receipts for the amounts collected.

PROTEST MEETING AGAINST 'JEWISH HOME'

BOMBAY, March 23.

A mass meeting of Muslims will be held at Chotta Kabrastan on Saturday at 9 p.m. under the auspices of the Central Khilafat Committee to warn the British Government not to be influenced by the British and American leaders in respect of building a Jewish home in Palestine.

Persian Cultural Mission In Hyderabad

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Mar. 22.

Members of the Persian Cultural Mission, headed by H. E. Ali Ashgar Hikmat, member of the National Assembly, Iran, arrived in Hyderabad this evening from Bombay.

Interviewed by the Associated Press on their arrival, His Excellency Ali Ashgar Hikmat, the leader of the mission said: We are naturally very much interested in seeing the working of the University where Urdu which is as much a descendant of Sanskrit as of Persian, is the medium of instruction and examination in all branches of learning in the higher stages. No less interesting and we hope, also instructive for us will be the study of the methods used for coining technical terms in Urdu.—A. P. evening.—A. P.

PROFITEERING IN STATIONERY

Retailers' Grievances Against Wholesalers

Resolution protesting against the profiteering done by some of the wholesale dealers in fountain-pens and stationery and calling upon the Government to fix wholesale and retail prices for the same was passed unanimously at a meeting of the Bombay Retail Fountain-Pens and Stationery Sellers' Association held at Market Memon Jamatkhana Hall. Mr. A. H. Azad presided. Speakers at the meeting also complained about the refusal of the wholesalers to supply goods to retailers at controlled rates. They appealed to all the retailers dealing in stationery to join the Association and make their voice heard.

Carnival At Cooperage Opens On April 6

RAISING FUNDS FOR BEGGARS' CAUSE

Mrs. Bapsey Sabavala, with the help of a corps of enthusiasts will present a top-notch carnival at the Cooperage to raise funds for the Beggars' cause, in pursuance of the scheme, which the Government has in hand dealing with the Beggar problem.

It will be known as "Dil Pazir"—and will open on April 6 for a run of five days.

Besides the usual Giant wheels. Cheero planes, Well of Death, Dodg 'em, Hayday, etc., which will comprise the one section of the ground known as the Topsy Turvy Town, there will be the other section planned as a jungle where local "Shikaris" will be able to try their luck with big game. A nook of the jungle will be specially reserved for dancing where two dance bands will provide soft music to those who might feel like treading a measure or sitting around in romantic surroundings beneath shady trees with moon and all, and holding hands without any disturbance.

OPEN AIR THEATRE

The "piece de resistance" of the show will be the open air theatre under the illuminated trees where famous Indian dance celebrities like Ram Gopal, Krishna Kurti, Poovish Sisters and many other exponents of folk dances from Western and Central India will perform in a special dance festival on the 8th and 9th from 9-30 to 11 p.m.

A Children's Beauty Parade, a Mannequin Parade, a Baby Show, a Body Beautiful competition are also included in the programme.

The Children's Beauty Parade open to both boys and girls will be held on the 8th at 6-30 p.m. and will comprise three classes, 5-8 years, 9-12 years, and 13-15 years. Apply to Mrs. Sabavala, Industrial Assurance Building, Miss Kelly, Hill Grange School, Peddar Road and Mrs. Malkani, Ridge Road.

The Baby Show will take place on the 9th at 6-30 p.m. and will comprise of three classes, 3-6 months, 7-12 months and 1-4 years. Apply to Mrs. Sabavala and Mrs. Kurl, Bhedwar, Charleman, Hughes Road. The admission for both these competition is Re. 1 only.

P. A. Wadia Re-Elected President Of Freedom Group

The Freedom Group at its first annual meeting held at the Indian Merchants' Chamber Hall, Bombay re-elected Prof. P. A. Wadia as President Miss Alu Dastur, Miss Freny Kapadia Miss Mehru Barla, Dastur F. A. Bode, Dr. B. H. Mehta, Mr. B. F. Bharucha, Mr S H Jhabvala, Mr N D Sahukar, Mr S S Pavri, Mr R S Dhondi, Mr. M C Nanavatty, Mr Jamshed Dadachanji, Mr K K Merchant, Mr M. B Desai, Mr. M J Chinoy and Mr M. J Gazdar were elected members of the Committee.

Addressing the meeting, Mr. S H Jhabvala said the Group should take interest in labour welfare work.

"Iqbal Day"

A meeting of the Iqbal Day Committee (formerly Ghalib Day Committee) will be held to-day (Friday), at the Anjuman Islam High School Hall, at 6 p.m. All those who are interested can attend the meeting, which will consider the programme for Iqbal Day to be observed towards the end of April.

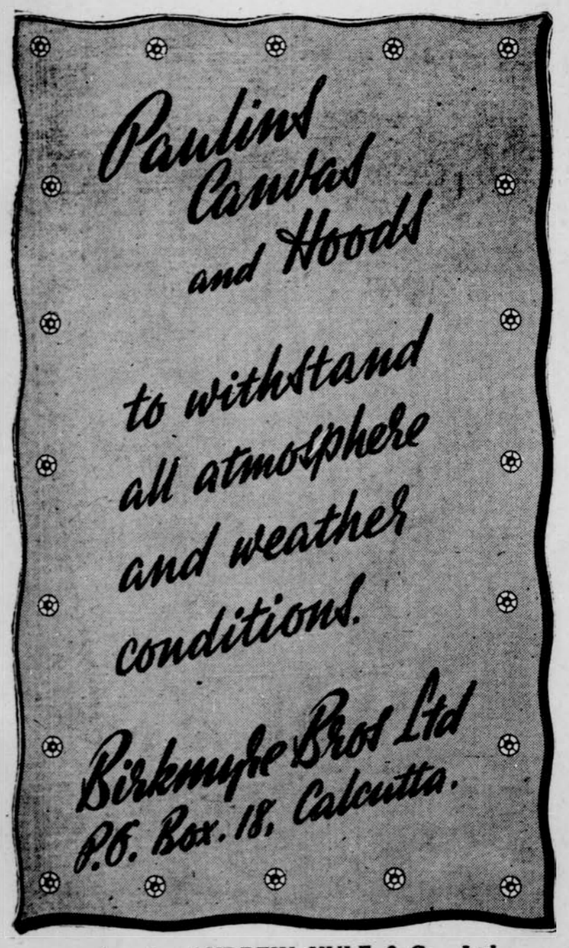
MUNICIPAL SCHOOL CHILDREN'S HEALTH DAY

Under the auspices of the Public Health Department of the Bombay Municipality the School Children's Health Day was celebrated on the Gilder Tank Maidan, Grant Road, Mr. M. D. Bhat presided.

Dr. B. C Dasgupta, Executive Health Officer of the Bombay Municipality, said that the object of holding the function was to instil in children the habit of maintaining good health. For this the co-operation of teachers, the parents and the Health Workers would be quite necessary.

Mrs. Khadija Shuffi Tyabji, Mr. N. C. Pupala Member of the Schools Committee and Dr. B. B. Yodh Hon. Physician J. J. Hospital also spoke. An interesting programme of variety entertainment including Figure March by the boys and girls of the Municipal Matunga Tamil School had been arranged.

An exhibition of Child Health had been arranged in the Gilder Tank Hall, consisting of the following selections: Child Guidance, Recreational Occupation, Health and cleanliness Habits, Child-Diet, School Health and Medical Inspection.



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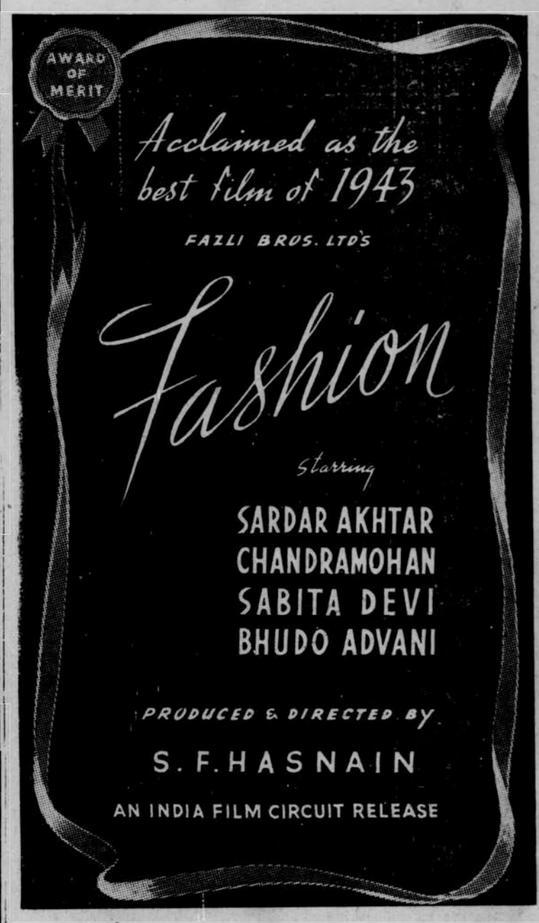

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, March 23.

The following is the weather chart showing maximum, minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on 19-3-44:—

Allahabad 92 65 0; Bombay 86 71 0; Calcutta 95 70 0; Cawnpore 91 65 0; Cuttack 95 75 0; Darjeeling 56 43 0; Delhi 89 66 0; Dehra Dun 81 51 0; Jacobabad 92 66 0; Karachi 81 73 0; Lahore 81 61 0; Lucknow 92 64 0; Madras nil, 75 nil, Nagpur 95 80 0.1; Patna 91 67 0; Peshawar 66 45 0.3; Shillong 73 48 0; Simla 61 42 0.1—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Aim at perfection in everything, though in most things it is unattainable; however, they who aim at it, and persevere will come much nearer to it than those whose laziness and despondency make them give it up as unattainable.

—Earl Of Chesterfield.

The Bombay Chronicle

MR. JINNAH AND CONGRESS

Mr. Jinnah's speeches at Lahore are, like his other recent ones, full of glorification of the Muslim League and Pakistan—care being taken that even the principle of Pakistan is not fully explained—and full also of misrepresentation of the Congress. The representative character of the League has never been questioned by other Indian bodies. It was because of that character that Congress sought alliance with the League and effected the Congress-League scheme nearly thirty years ago. In recent years Congress has again taken the initiative in attempting a settlement with the League. Every time Mr. Jinnah has evaded negotiations. Such tactics may pay for a time or seem to pay. But many Muslim leaders sincerely feel,—though only few publicly express their feeling—that Mr. Jinnah is overdoing the game.

In spite of his unhelpful attitude Congress has made a substantial advance towards conceding the essential claims of the League. For instance, Congress has recognised the principle of territorial self-determination, has given an assurance that there will be no compulsion for any province to stay in the Indian Union, and the Provinces are assured fullest possible autonomy including residuary powers. That is not all. Gandhiji publicly declared his anxiety in August 1942 to continue negotiations with Mr. Jinnah. But he was thrown into jail immediately after. He wrote to Mr. Jinnah from jail. But the letter was not delivered to Mr. Jinnah. We can thoroughly understand Government's refusal to forward the letter. But Mr. Jinnah's failure to protest and his approval of Government's attitude are somethings which many Muslim leaders themselves are unable to explain charitably. And after all that Congress has done and all its attempts to seek an opportunity to negotiate further Mr. Jinnah has the heart to say with regard to Congress demand submitted to Government: "If this demand were conceded, it meant not only that Pakistan was dead but that a hundred million Muslims would be completely under the Raj of Hindu imperialists." "How can we possibly sit and 'do nothing?" asked Mr. Jinnah. "The British, he went on, "is the White Bania and the Hindu is the real Bania. If they come to some settlement, we may be let down. That is the position we are guarding against."

A charitable explanation of this is that Mr. Jinnah expects that in its intense anxiety to win independence at once Congress may make further concessions even without formal negotiations. But there are limits to concessions without negotiations and without a full and clear understanding of the League's demands. Moreover, Congress leaders are not even free to suggest further concessions. If they are released they can come to a better understanding with the League, if Mr. Jinnah is prepared to explain and discuss his demands. His present anti-Congress attitude, however, is a grievous disservice to Muslims as well as to the country as a whole.

Finance Bill Debate

The debate in the Central Assembly on the Finance Bill continues to be desultory as it is the only suitable occasion when Government's policy in general can be criticised. Another reason may be that the members know that, even if the Bill is thrown out it will be certified. The debate thus tends to be academic and unbalanced. The unheeding attitude of Government may perhaps be seen in the fact, severely commented upon by Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, that the ways and means part of the budget retains the sum of Rs. 10 crores to be derived from enhancing Railway fares, though this amount was rejected by the House. The Finance Member justified the procedure on the plea of past practice. If the practice is common it only shows what scant regard Government pay to constitutional proprieties. For, as Mr. Mehta pointed out, Government coolly proceed "as if the vote of the House was of no moment and could be ignored."

As the Executive Council was sharply divided on the question of the Railway fares and as the Rs. 10 crores expected from their enhancement is not needed to cover any Railway deficit but only to swell the surplus, the rumour is abroad that Government may at the last moment offer not to raise the fares if the Finance Bill is passed. No such bargaining should be encouraged. There are various defects in the Bill. In any case grievances must first be redressed before supplies are voted. Even a moderate like Sir Vithal Chandavarkar realises that Government must at once "legislate on the lines of making India self-governing." Those people are purblind who do not even now realise the need for enthusing the people with the magic of self-government.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Mystery Within Mystery

Mr. Eden disclosed in the Commons on Wednesday that the British Government were not consulted beforehand by the Soviet Government regarding the exchange of diplomatic representatives with King Victor. To say the least, this is an amazing revelation and makes the situation in Italy all the more intriguing. The action of the Soviet Government has been already widely criticized as a betrayal of democracy and the fact that it was taken unilaterally will cloud it with further suspicion still. The mystery, however, is wrapped up in another mystery, which is partially unveiled by the Italian correspondent of the London "Times". It appears that though the Allied Commission of Control was duly appointed and even the representatives of the Big Three nominated to it, the Commissioners have so far not held a single meeting! Britain and the United States were presumably content to carry on with their *de jacto* control over occupied Italy treating the Soviet as a sleeping partner! It is a pity that the British Foreign Secretary has not shed any light on this aspect of the situation. If the facts are as stated by the "Times" correspondent, Stalin's unorthodox approach to the Italian Government becomes perfectly intelligible as an astute move to force the Anglo-American hands. All this, however, provides a deplorable commentary on the alliance between the three Powers.

Struggle For Cassino

Though it is now a week since Cassino was 'erased off the map" by the heaviest concentration of bombing in the Mediterranean area, the defenders are still clinging to a part of the town. This is as much a tribute to the grim German determination to hold on to that key town by their very eye-lids as to the difficult nature of the terrain. The Allied advance is reported to be slow but steady and sure and this time they can be trusted to crush the German resistance however protracted the struggle may prove. Meanwhile Marshal Kesselring is reported to be rushing reinforcements to save the Gustav Line defences in the Cassino Hills which have been pierced by Allied troops. It seems, therefore, that though Cassino itself may be cleared of the enemy, that by itself will not hasten the advance of the Fifth Army on the road to Rome until all the surrounding hill features are reduced. The weather, which hampered the Allies so long, is, however, said to be changing for the better and this itself will prove a valuable factor in favour of the Allies.

Indians In U. S. A.

Mr. Govindlal Shivlal Motilal's resolution in the Council of State that early steps be taken to secure rights of citizenship for Indians in the U. S. A. had no difficulty in being carried as it was accepted by Government. Government accepted this because the U. S. A. had already moved in the matter by introducing two bills in its Legislature. The first of these sought to give citizenship rights to Indians who had been resident in the United States prior to 1924, while the second went further, giving exactly the same treatment to Indians as had already been accorded to the Chinese—entry under quota and right to obtain citizenship. We trust the Bills will become law without any delay. The changed attitude on the part of the U. S. A. is doubtless due to the war. But it is not merely a concession by way of return for war assistance. It is also inspired by a spontaneous recognition of the folly of race prejudice. We trust the recognition will not be temporary or confined to narrow limits.

Exploiting Women's Labour

The Council of State has rejected by 21 votes to 12. Mr. P. N. Sapru's resolution recommending to the Governor-General-in-Council to cancel orders permitting the employment of women in coal mines. In vain did Mr. Sapru point out that the employment of women in mines was contrary to the international convention, to which India was a party, that the shortage of labour was due mainly to the unsatisfactory conditions of living prevailing in those areas and that Indian women had not the stamina to stand the work in mines. It is absurd to assume that enough male labour could not be got from outside. The fact is that women workers can be engaged on lower wages and can otherwise be more easily exploited. One reason why the resolution was defeated is that the Member for Labour is an Indian and he is lightheartedly assumed to have satisfied himself that underground labour by women is now indispensable. We can only hope that little boys will not be pressed into the service in the name of intensive war effort.

18 Months For causing Grievous Hurt

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Coyajee)
Emperor
vs.
Abdul Rehman Husein .....Accused.

The accused, a coolie, was charged with having robbed one Gulam Mahomed Mahomedalli, a salt merchant aged 70 for whom he used to work of Rs. 300 and, with having caused him grievous hurt with a pair of dumbells at his residence at Jeckeria Masjid Road at 3-30 in the afternoon on 30th October last. Gulam Mahomed was found lying unconscious in a pool of blood next morning.

The Jury found the accused unanimously guilty on the charge of grievous hurt with a dangerous weapon and His Lordship thereupon sentenced him to 18 months' rigorous imprisonment but discharged him on the charge of robbery on which the Jury returned an inconclusive verdict of 5 to 4.

FIXING RUPEE RATIO

Council Of State Reject Mr. Hoossain Imam's Resolution

NEW DELHI, March 22.—The Council of State passed Mr. Hoosain Imam's Bill to amend the Indian Merchant Shipping Act, 1923, as passed by the Assembly. Mr. R. N. Bannerjee, Secretary, Overseas Department, pointed out that present war conditions were not suitable for enforcing the Bill, but gave an assurance that the Government would not unduly delay its enforcement as soon as the abnormal conditions ceased to exist.

Mr. Hoosain Imam's resolution suggesting the appointment of a committee consisting of "Members of the Central Legislature, businessmen and agriculturists to recommend a suitable permanent exchange value of the rupee to help the agricultural and industrial rehabilitation of India in the post-war period was rejected without a division.

Pandit Hridaynath Kunzru said that questions of future management of the various currencies and their relations to one another were occupying the attention of various countries.

An International Currency Conference was likely to be held and conversations had already taken place between the British Government and the Dominions and India. Conversations were also taking place between England, United States and other countries. In order to clearly set out the issues that would have to be dealt with, it was of the greatest importance that India's representatives should be in full possession of the facts. The crux of the matter was not that the exchange rate should be fixed at present, but that India's freedom to determine an exchange ratio suitable to her interests should not be taken away from her. Apprehensions had been created in the minds of the people in this country in regard to what bearing the decisions of the International Conference would have on the country's economy. It was, therefore, necessary that Government should clarify their policy. They had, certainly, publicly stated that no decisions had been arrived at on the matter, but he wanted a more definite assurance, that the exchange value of the rupee in terms of sterling, and through sterling in terms of other currencies or directly in terms of other currencies, would not be fixed before representatives of the various interests involved had been given an opportunity to express their opinions.

Mr. C. E. Jones, Finance Secretary, regretted he could not accept the resolution. Assuming that there was a case for a reconsideration of the question of exchange value of the rupee. Why should the mover suggest a procedure calculated to give the maximum of publicity and advertisement to the fact that the question was under consideration.

He recalled that the passing of the Reserve Bank Act by the Legislature entailed recognition on their part of the provision that the Reserve Bank was the proper body to advise Government in this matter. His first objection was on this score. Secondly, present conditions were far too full of uncertain factors to enable any body of men to recommend suitable rates of exchange for the Indian rupee whether in terms of pound sterling or dollar or gold. For this reason, the appointment of a Committee would be premature and ineffective. The economic facts which had a bearing on the question must be correctly evaluated before reaching any conclusion—such as price levels, wages and costs and the balance position. Not only in India, but in other countries also the position in regard to these factors was uncertain and to a very large extent artificial. Mr. Jones thought that no purpose would be served by going into details of the international monetary plans propounded by various countries, but said the matter would come up before the Legislature in due course. Government had still reason to hope that by then it would be possible to put up draft proposals which would be representative of a greater measure of agreement between the countries.

After a brief reply by Mr. Imam, the resolution was rejected.

767 DETENUS IN FRONTIER JAILS

PESHAWAR, March 23.

Seven hundred and sixty-seven persons were detained without trial in the North-West Frontier Province under the Defence of India Rules from August 1942 to December 1943, said Pir Syed Jalal, Chief Parliamentary Secretary, replying to a question in the Frontier Assembly today.

He added that all those political prisoners who were lodged in D. I. Khan Jail complained of unsuitability of climate of D I Khan and were therefore transferred to Haripur Central Jail.—A. P.

Viceroy's Tributes To Red Cross Work

NEW DELHI, March 23.

Addressing the annual general meeting of the St. John Ambulance Association and the Indian Red Cross Society to-day, the Viceroy said:

"The sympathies of the world have been aroused by Bengal's plight. India has received welcome help from many parts of the British Commonwealth, from America and From China. The strength of the Red Cross depends largely on its International nature and the appeal it makes to the humanitarian feelings of all men. For this reason, we have to be careful in India to preserve, even at the risk of being thought pedantic, the essential character of the Red Cross. For instance, by the Geneva convention, the Red Cross cannot provide amenities to fit soldiers (only to wounded and sick ones), and we must therefore keep our Red Cross organisations distinct and their records and accounts quite separate from those of other activities.

"The latest reports of the result of the Red Cross Week show a total of a crore of rupees and some provinces, including Madras and Bengal, have still to hold their weeks. We were particularly proud to receive a gift from His Majesty the King-Emperor, and another from the King of Egypt was also much appreciated. India has made a most generous contribution, including many princely gifts from the princely order. The Red Cross needs all this money; for its responsibilities, already great, will inevitably expand when we are able to concentrate our might against the Japanese.

"The coming year will provide a severe test of all the three organisations that are represented here to-day. I hope you will go to your tasks with new strength and determination—A. P.

FINANCE BILL MUST BE THROWN OUT

Mrs. Subbaroyan On "Heavy Purdah Over Defence": Why Cold Storage For Indianisation Scheme?

NEW DELHI, March 23.

A Committee of the Assembly to revise the Defence of India Rules and suggest amendments was advocated by Sir Yamin Khan (Muslim League) when he resumed his speech on the Finance Bill in the Assembly to-day.

Sir Yamin Khan referred to his cut motion, which was passed by the House earlier suggesting the appointment of a Committee of the House to effect economies in administration and said the Finance Member must feel himself bound by the decision of the House. He thought it should be possible to effect at least a two per cent economy on defence expenditure which would mean a total economy of Rs. 6 crores.

CONGRESS-LEAGUE UNITY

Answering to the remarks made by certain members about the Union of the Congress and Muslim League Parties in the Assembly, Sir Yamin said that the two parties had come so far nearer to each other as to demonstrate to the world that they had no confidence in the present Government. That, he said, was one step nearer to the wider unity. Sir Frederick James had suggested it was a novel association, but Sir Yamin Khan asked, did he think before 1940 that Russia and England would join hands together? There were certain circumstances which brought together people who were separated. He thought that the actions and misdeeds of the Government had brought the Congress and Muslim League together.

(Finance Member: You should be grateful) (laughter). Sir Yamin Khan said he was grateful for the wrongs done by Government. The present Government had by their actions and misdeeds brought home to many people that Government were not serious when they asked the parties to join hands and that Government were only exploiting the differences. (Cheers from Congress benches). The Government's aim and endeavour was that the people of India should never unite, and if they were coming together something should be done to disunite them. (Hear hear from Congress benches).

The War Secretary Mr. C. M. Trivedi replied to certain points relating to the Defence Services.

As regards the training of pilots for the ten squadrons of the Indian Air Force, Mr. Trivedi described the air training corps instituted at eight universities in India, namely, Madras, Calcutta, Allahabad, Aligarh, Punjab, Nagpur, Hyderabad and Travancore. An Air Training Corps for the Bombay University had also been sanctioned, he added.

Mr. Trivedi promised to consider the question of married quarters for R.I.N. ratings and increasing the number of long service awards.

OPPOSITION TO NEW TAXES

Mr. Akhil Chandra Datta in opposing the new taxes gave what he called a "profit and loss account" of the Government of India for 1943. On the profits side, he admitted that so far as the Defence of India was concerned adequate preparations had been made and the defence position of the country was better. From the point of view of the people, the losses were many. A considerable number of human lives were lost from starvation and many had died from diseases. Lawyers lost their professional independence, and he asserted that even the judiciary was paralysed. Numerous laws were enacted by the issuing of ordinances and the political deadlock, in spite of the Home Member's dictionary meaning to the contrary, continued. The press was gagged, he said and censorship was applied not merely for military considerations but for political reasons also. Mr. Datta complained that people were ousted from their homes", and all his own houses had been commandeered.

INFLATION

Mrs. Radhabai Subbaroyan (Congress) said that inuation in this country was Government's own creation and in fighting it, it was Indian people who suffered. It was claimed that "fighting was being done on principle and for the good of Indians (laughter). This was the impression one got from a perusal of the budget. The measures suggested to fight inuation would bewilder even experts, but the Finance Member had simplified it by saying that 'whatever brring money to Government is anti-inflationory'. He and his colleague, therefore, agreed that they should save people from temptation by dropping their money into the coffers of railways. (More laughter).

HEAVY 'PURDAH' OVER DEFENCE

Mr. Subbaroyan referred to the 'particularly heavy purdah that had been drawn over defence' and asked why, when the war broke out, instead of speeding up the work of the Committee which was going into the question of Indianisation of the army, they had put it in the cold storage. She was told there was only 10.5 per cent Indian officers in the army. Was this how Government were going to develop a National Army in India? What was the reason for sending out of the country Indian troops, who had shown themselves capable of fighting successfully even in unfamiliar ground against a highly trained and well-equipped enemy, and bringing in foreign troops to defend our shores? Was the Government afraid to have an Indian Army in this country? If the British were sincere in their promises of freedom to India after the war they should develop a National Army now.

PLEA FOR NATIONAL GOVT.

Mrs. Subbaroyan dealt at length with the political situation in the country and said only a National Government, on whom the people could rely for spending their revenue in the interest of India and India alone, would rouse the people to line up behind the Government and save the country. Past grievances against the Congress or the Muslim League, real or imaginery, must be forgotten by members of the legislature and if possible, by Government itself, because the task lying ahead was stupendous and demanded the united effort of all people living in this country.

She was convinced that she would be failing in her duty to herself as a citizen and to her constituency and country if she supported the Bill and thereby increased the distress and danger of relegating to a distant date the freedom, peace and happiness of the country.

DR. KHARE'S REPLY

Dr. N. B. Khare, Member for Indians Overseas, replied to the points made by Congress speakers against members, particularly Indian members, of the Executive Council. He reminded the House that he was himself not long ago a member of the Opposition and criticised the budget in the self-same terms; in fact he used to do better than the present members of the Opposition (laughter). He claimed that he and his colleagues had acted in response to promptings of the inner voice just as no doubt the members of the Congress party had acted in response to their inner voice in coming back to the assembly in utter disregard of the mandate of their leaders or bosses.

Speaking of the affairs of August 1942, Dr. Khare expressed surprise that one of the Congress speakers in the House should have stated that Congress workers probably acted on the sabotage programme which they had heard Mr. Amery state over the radio that the Congress Working Committee had laid down. If there were politicians who took their cue from their opponents, and acted on words broadcast by their enemy, then how could they aspire to be in charge of a country's administration?

He and his Indian colleagues had been called traitors. Dr. Khare went on; but if Congress members could come here and sit in this House in disregard to the commands of their bosses, how could they call him and his colleagues traitors if they in different circumstances acted in response to the promptings of their inner voice?

Dr. Khare went on to mention the undoubted advantages which he said India had gained from the war; India was becoming a creditor country, and had made great strides in industrial progress.

INDIANS IN S. AFRICA

Referring to South Africa Government were trying to do their best within their limitations. He recalled the words of the late Mr. Chamberlain who said that there was no subject which was calculated to rouse ill-feeling in any country more than statements of ill-treatment of people of their own race in another country and that that was a subject which provided an inflammable material most likely to cause a conflagration. Dr. Khare expressed the hope that responsible world politicians would ponder over these words and take the necessary lesson from them.

Mr. Chapman Mortimer (European group) said that the general expectation in the country before the budget was announced was one of increased burden but now, despite the additional taxes there was a general feeling of relief.

Many who must pay the small duty on tea and betel nut had received relief by the raising of the taxable level of income-tax from Rs. 1,500 to Rs. 2,000.

Referring to inflation Mr. Chapman asserted that it was absolutely untrue to suggest that the financial policy of the Government of India had caused inflation or that the sterling balances—although to some extent they did—led to inflation. Inflation could be caused by the operation of markets. He said that certain persons who caused political agitation in this country and threw the whole country into turmoil were responsible for bringing about the inflation. The four months' strike in Ahmedabad which held up textile production and operations in market stopped up the price of cloth. The action to be taken was not to be that of the Finance Member's but one of his colleagues. His group supported the Finance Bill though they were aware that some of their interests would suffer.

Sir Cowasji Jehangir thought that the budget was an anti-inflationary budget. He referred to the soaring cost of living in this country and in England and the measures adopted in Britain to check inflation. He had not concluded his speech when the House fose for the day.—A. P.

FATE OF TWO ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

NEW DELHI, March 23.

In the Assembly to-day Mr. Jinaraja Hedge sought to move an adjournment motion to discuss "the starvation of 6,000 people in Buntawal, South Canara District, and the failure of the Government of India in making adequate arrangements."

The Food Member Sir J. P. Srivastava objecting to the motion said that the subject matter concerned primarily the Madras Government, as it related to internal distribution of food stuffs.

The Chair in view of the Food Member's statement held that no case had been made out for adjournment.

Mr. Yusuf Abdulla Haroon attempted to move an adjournment motion to discuss the Order of the District Magistrate, Lucknow, preventing the holding of meetings in connection with the Pakistan day to-day.

The Home Member, Sir Reginald Maxwell stated he had no information at all and he gathered that the mover relied on a newspaper report. The Home Member made it clear that the Government of India themselves had issued no general order at all. The Home Member added it might be an order under Section 144.

The President held the motion not in order.—A. P.

Bhulabhai Desai Leaves For Delhi

In response to telegraphic requests from Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari and Mr. Abdul Qayum, acting Leader of the Congress Assembly Party, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai left for Delhi on Thursday by the Frontier Mail.

SIND JOURNALISTS' CONFERENCE

KARACHI March 22: Mr. B. Shiva Rao of "The Hindu" Madras and member of the Economic Sub-Committee appointed by the A.-I.N.E.C. has been elected president of the forthcooming Sind Journalists' Conference to be held in July.

The Conference will be inaugurated by Mr. S. A. Brelvi, President of the A-I.N.E.C.

The Conference, which was originally scheduled to take place during the Easter holidays was postponed to July 8 and 9 in view of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the A.-I.N.E.C. at Karachi on July 7.

It has been decided to publish a souvenir programme of the Conference containing articles pertaining to journalism in Sind. The Executive Committee has also decided to invite editors from all over India and representatives of Journalists' Associations in other Provinces to attend the Conference.

BASES OF FOREIGN POLICY OF UNITTD STATES

Mr. Cordell Hull's Statement

WASHINGTON, March 21.

Following is the text of Secretary of State Cordell Hull's statement on "Bases of the Foreign Policy of the United States."

"In determining our foreign policy we must first see clearly what our true national interests are.

"At the present time, the paramount aim of our foreign policy is to defeat our enemies as quickly as possible.

"Beyond final victory, our fundamental national interests are assuring our national security and fostering the economic and social well being of our people.

"Co-operation between nations in the spirit of good neighbours, founded on principles of liberty, equality, justice, morality and law, is the most effective method of safeguarding and promoting the political, social and cultural well being of our nation and all nations.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION BACKED BY FORCE

"Some international agency must be created which can—by force if necessary—keep peace among nations in the future. The system of organised international co-operation for maintenance of peace must be based on the willingness of co-operating nations to use force if necessary to keep peace. There must be a certainty that adequate and appropriate means are available and will be used for this purpose.

"Political differences which present a threat to the peace of the world should be submitted to agencies which would use the remedies of discussion, negotiation, conciliation and good offices.

"Disputes of a legal character which present a threat to the peace of the world should be adjudicated by an international court of justice whose decisions would be based on the application of the principles of law.

"International co-operative action must include eventual adjustment of national armaments in such a manner that the rule of law cannot be successfully challenged and the burden of armaments may be reduced to a minimum.

MOSCOW DECLARATION OF FOUR NATIONS

"Through this declaration, the Soviet Union, Great Britain, the United States and China laid the foundation for co-operative efforts in the post-war world toward enabling all peace-loving nations, large or small, to live in peace and security, to preserve the liberties and rights of civilised existence and to enjoy expanded opportunities and facilities for economic, social and spiritual progress.

"As the provisions of the Four Nations Declaration are carried into effect, there will no longer be a need for spheres of influence, alliances, balance of power or any other of the special arrangements through which, in the unhappy past, nations strove to safeguard their security or promote their interests.

SURVEILLANCE OVER AGGRESSOR NATIONS

"In the process of re-establishing international order, the United Nations must exercise surveillance over aggressor nations until such time as the latter demonstrate their willingness and ability to live at peace with other nations. How long such surveillance will need to continue must depend upon the rapidity with which the peoples of Germany, Japan, Italy and their satellites give convincing proof that they have repudiated and abandoned the monstrous philosophy of superior race and conquest by force and embraced loyalty to the basic principles of peaceful processes.

"Excessive trade barriers of many different kinds must be reduced and practices which impose injuries on others and divert trade from its natural economic course must be avoided.

"Equally plain is the need for making national currencies once more freely exchangeable for each other at stable rates of exchange; for a system of financial relations so devised that materials can be produced and ways found of moving them where there are markets created by human need; for machinery through which capital may for the development of the world's resources and for stabilisation of economic activity—move on equitable terms from financially stronger to financially weaker countries.

THE ATLANTIC CHARTER: RECIPROCAL OBLIGATIONS

"The pledge of the Atlantic Charter is of a system which will give every nation, large or small, greater assurance of stable peace, greater opportunity for realisation of its aspiring to freedom and greater facilities for material advancement. But that pledge implies an obligation for each nation to demonstrate its capacity for stable and progressive government, to fulfil scrupulously its established duties to other nations, to settle international differences and disputes by none but peaceful methods and to make its full contribution to maintenance of enduring peace.

SOVEREIGN EQUALITY OF NATIONS

"Each sovereign nation, large or small, is in law and under the law equal to every other nation.

"The principle of the sovereign equality of all peace-loving states irrespective of size and strength as partners in the future system of general security will be the foundation stone upon which the future international organisation will be constructed.

"Each nation should be free to decide for itself the forms and details of its governmental organisation—so long as it conducts its affairs in such a way as not to menace the peace and security of other nations.

"All nations, large or small, which respect the rights of others are entitled to freedom from outside interference in their internal affairs.

"There is no surer way for men and nations to show themselves worthy of liberty than to fight for its preservation in any way open to them against those who would destroy it for all. Never did a plainer duty to fight against its foes devolve upon all peoples who prize liberty and all who aspire to it. All peoples, who with 'decent respect for the opinions of mankind' have qualified themselves to assume and discharge the responsibilities of liberty, are entitled to its enjoyment.

"DEPENDENT PEOPLES"

"There rests upon independent nations a responsibility in relation to dependent peoples who aspire to liberty. It should be the duty of nations having political ties with such peoples, of mandatories, of trustees, or of other agencies as the case may be, to help aspiring peoples develop materially and educationally and to prepare themselves for the duties and responsibilities of self-government and to attain liberty. An excellent example of what can be achieved is afforded in the record of our relationship with the Philippines."—U.S.O.W.I.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

The Muslim League is celebrating the Pakistan Day today throughout India. In order to declare on this important occasion that all the political parties in the country accept the right of our Muslim countrymen to self-determination including the right of secession two public meetings will be held under the auspices of the Bombay Committee of the Communist Party of India; one at the Pimpalache Maidan.

—Secretary of the Bombay Committee of the Communist Party.

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"I am in complete disagreement with the President's policy regarding Vichy, Darlan, and the Fascists in Italy," says Willkie, adding, "As a matter of fact I do not know what his foreign policy is."

But he is impartially, opposed to it all the same!

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In the House of Commons Mr. Churchill referred to "the document which has become honourably known as the Atlantic Charter."

Need he have rubbed it in with the word "honourably"?

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Mr. Churchill further observed: "The Atlantic Charter stands as a declaration of the spirit and purpose in which its signatories are waging this war".

You mean, Mr. Churchill, "are alleged to be waging this war"?

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The invasion of Balkans is again imminent.

It seems to be suspended in a state of permanent imminence for several months now!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) *The conveners of the All-Parties Conference sent invitations to the members of the No-Party Leaders Conference—and the letters were returned to themselves!*

(2) *Wendell Wilkie has been offered by President Roosevelt the post of Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs on the condition that he withdraws from the presidential contest.*

(3) *Goebbels has issued a challenge that he can any day belch more molten lava than Mount Vesuvius—but not more than the Fuehrer!*

(4) *The Hungarian Parliament has adjourned 'sine die' since democracy must now formally die in Hungary!*

(5) *The Junior Colleague is the only man in the country who has not got an Economic Plan up his sleeve.*

(6) *The local Communists celebrated the Pakistan Day by reciting selected passages from Stalin's book, "Marxism And The National And Colonial Questions" at street-corners.*

Government Publications

Mr. Dinkar Desai's article that appeared in your issue of the 13th instant under the above caption, has greatly interested me and a good deal of my chagrin at my failure to secure several Government Publications has been put at rest, on finding that so many others are sailing in the same boat.

For the last several months, I have been vigorously hunting for a copy of a book, entitled—"Report on the Marketing of Groundnuts in India and Burma". I have called at every leading and lesser-known book-seller in Bombay and have taken special care not to leave out any book-seller whose name appears on the list of sellers of Government Publications.

It is therefore, a matter of profound regret that not a single copy of the said report is available either here in Bombay or at Government Publication Department at Delhi! India leads other countries in the groundnut trade of the whole world, and in point of acreage, out-put or export she is second to none in the world. Enjoying such an enviably unique position as she does in this trade, it is but meet that the said report should find itself in demand in other interested countries as well.

It appears the Government published only a thousand copies of the report in 1941. A thousand copies on such a vital world commodity is no more than a drop in the ocean and is undubtedly a sad reflection on the Government's sense of proportion in ascertaining the relative value of such reports. The oft-quoted argument of shortage of paper etc. cannot hold any water when one considers the waste of paper that takes place in less important publications.

Moreover, the book-sellers whose names appear as sellers of the Government Publications, do not seem to be enthusiastic about keeping in stock such Government Publications as are available. When on a fruitless inquiry on one occasion a leading company of book-sellers was reminded that they are expected to have the available Government Publications, as their name appears on the list of the sellers, I was coldly asked, "Is ours the only name on the list?" One does not know why on earth the Government should publish such names as sellers, when one inquires at theirs in vain!

D. U. SHAH.

Bombay, March 21.

Wanted Co-ordination

We the undersigned 34 agriculturists of Vangaon, Chinchani and nearby places take this opportunity of voicing our ever-recurring grievance against the authorities of B. B. and C. I. Railway, the Government seems to speak with two mouths. The Government says, "Grow more food, grow more food" and the B. B. and C. I. Railway says: "No space, please, no more space". Yes, this is what the railway authority speaks in practice. How often are our perishable goods such as chikoos, guavas, chillies, bringjals etc., remain drying in the sun on the platform! For example on the 17th instant nothing except lancen grass was accepted in the train. We hope the Government will realise its folly in the barrenness of their policy of 'grow more food' campaign without making arrangements for taking the goods that we have already produced to Bombay markets.

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CITY MARKETS

Bombay, March 23

SHARES: The local Share Bazar displayed some nervousness and price movement was irregular. Tata Steel Defd shares opened at Rs. 2102 and declined to Rs. 2090. At this level there appeared some covering and improved to Rs. 2110, but under renewed selling quotation declined to Rs. 2087. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 409 and improved to Rs. 413 but again declined to Rs. 408. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 2090 and were steady at Rs. 2092. Kohinoor Mill shares opened at Rs. 658 and improved to Rs. 664 on short covering. Century Mill shares opened at Rs. 1005 and steadied at Rs. 1015. Cotton Mill shares were comparatively steady which shows that there is very little speculative interest in them. The market feeling was uncertain and active fluctuations are expected.

Towards the close there was increased short covering and quotations rallied but tone was not impressive.

TEXTILE SECTION: Ahmed. Advance 512-8; Apollo 4-15; Bharat Mills 80; Bom. Dyeing 2116-4; Cent. India 431-8; Century 1030; Colaba 227; Dawn 1675; Edwd. Sassoon 775; Elphinstone 111; Finlay 342; Gokak 354 Hindustan 4000; Ind. Bleaching 221; Ind. United Ordy 18-14; do Defd 4-2; Indore Malwa 1175; Khatau 425; Kohinoor 676; Lakshmi 1845; Madhowji 27; Minerva 315; Model Nagpur 305; Morarji 730; Madhsudan 500; Meyer Sassoon 242-2; Mysore 307-8; New Great 400; Phoenix 765; Podar Mills 480; Sassoon Silk 104; do Spg. 29; Sholapur 8700; Shri Nivas 435; Simplex 259-8; Swadeshi 600; Swan 376; Tata Mills 72; Vishnu 560; Western India 3650.

INS. SECTION Bom Life 227-8 Empire Life 820; Oriental 6310; Vulcan 19-12; Ind. Mercantile 85-8; Indust and Prudent 40-8; Jupiter 40-4; New India 94.

HYDRO AND ELEC. SECTION: Ahmed. Elec. 221-4; Ajmere 14-8; And. Valley 1880; Bom. Tram Ordy 145-8; Bom. Suburban 205; Karachi 255; Poona 300; Broach 13-8; Surat 201-4 do New Rs. 50/Pd. Pr. 70; Tata Hydro Ordy 204-8; Tata Power Ord. 1880.

BANK SECTION: Baroda Bank 141; Bank of India 184-8; Central Bank 93-12; Imperial Bank 1932-8; do P P 506-4; Habib Bank 86; Union Bank 10-6; Reserve Bank 134-4.

PREF SHARES: 7 per cent And Valley 1729; 6 per cent Bom Steamer 340; 7 per cent Bom. Tram 67; 5 per cent India 732-8; 6-1/2 per cent Jupiter 20-4; 6-1/2 per cent Surat 198; 6-1/4 per cent Prem. Const 1st 139; 6-1/4 per cent do 2nd 137-8; 6 per cent Tata I and S 1st 220; 7-1/2 per cent do 2nd 159; 7 per cent do Hydro 172-8; 7-1/2 per cent do Power 1785; 7 per cent Vishnu 785.

DEBENTURES: 4 per cent And. Valley 107-12; 4 per cent Tata Power 107-10; 4 per cent do Chem 234; 4 per cent Marsland Price 121.

RAILWAY SECTION: Ahmed Prantej 775; Cent Pro. 103-8; Dhond Baramati 118; Gujerat 98; Hoshiarpur Doab 108; Mandra Bhon 112-4, Mymen Rebt. 111; do Gtd. 111-4; Sara Sirajganj 111; Sialkot Naro 120-12; do New 54.

MISC. GROUP: Alembic Chem 390; Alcock Ashdown 612-8; Asso. Cement 226; Bom. Burma Old 407-8; do new 149-6; Belapur 242-8; Invest Trust 76-8; B B Petrol 34; Bom Steamer 685 Prem. Const 219; Port Canning 109-12; Scindia 35; Shivrajpur 68; Tata Chem 31-2; Tata Oil 83; Tata Ordy 411-8; Tata Defd 2120; Wimco 328-2; B I C 6-6; Burma Corp 3-12; Ind. Copper 2-12-1/2; do Iron 36-8; Steel Corp. 27; New Vict. Ordy 9-11; H Co. Bank 62; U Co Bank 76-8; Bradbury Pref 567-8; do Oref 422-8; Elphin. Pref 240 Dharamsey Chem. 76; New City Mill 435; Jalpur Bank 71-8; New Union 32.

GOVT. SECURITIES: 2-3/4 per cent 1942-52 Loan 99-12; 3-1/2 per cent G P Note 98-6; 3 per cent 1946 Def 1st 102; 3 per cent 1949-52 2nd 100-8 3 per cent 1951-54 3rd 99-12; 3 per cent 1953-55 4th Def 100-6A.I; 3 per cent 1963-65 Loan 98-4; 3-1/2 per cent 1947-50 Loan 103-1; 4 per cent 1960-70 Loan 112-8; 4-1/2 per cent 1955-60 Loan 115-2.

CORP. DEBENTURES: 4 per cent B P T 1974 113-8; 4 per cent M. Deb 1974 113-8; 5 per cent do 1959 121; 6 per cent do 1954 130-2; 6 per cent K P T 1956 129-8.

TAX-FREE LOANS: 5 per cent 1945-55 Loan 104-12; 4 per cent 1953-63 Mysore 123-6; 5 per cent Mysore 1955 135-8.

BULLION—Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0 Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23 1/2 d. and New York spot silver was quoted at 44 3/4 cents. The local market was influenced by war news. There was considerable short covering in silver and prices reached a high level. Forward silver opened at Rs. 128/12 and advanced to Rs. 129/8 and reached to Rs. 129/6 Ready silver was quoted at a premium of Rs. 3/-. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 71-0-6 and forward gold stood at Rs. 71-0-3.

After several up and down moves closing quotations were as under: Ready Silver Rs 132-6 Forward Silver Rs. 129-6 Ready Gold Rs. 71-1, Forward Gold Rs. 71-1-6. Sovereigns Rs. 49-3.

COTTON—The local cotton market opened quiet at Rs. 442/- for May delivery against expected opening at Rs. 466/- on war news. There was tired liquidation and prices declined to Rs. 440/8 but rallied to Rs. 443/ on moderate covering. Later on the market was quiet and May was quoted at Rs. 442/- The market feeling was hesitant and traders were inclined await further developments.

Later on the market ruled weak on increased selling pressure. It appears that professional bears are not inclined to cover believing that buyers have no inducement in war news and May declined to Rs. 438. At this level there was renewed support and prices improved to Rs. 441. The market finally closed at 6 p.m. as under:—

I C C March Rs. 444 I C C May Rs. 442, I C C July Rs. 448-12, I C C September Rs. 451-4.

COTTON PARITY: Indian Cotton May Contract is below New York May 385 cent points at Exchange rate 331

COTTON ARRIVALS: Khandesh 206, Central India 760, Barsi 230, Berar 429 Central Provinces 1,376; Dholeras 1,165, N.-W. Provinces 124, Sindh-Punjab 810, Broach 7,377, Westerns 104 total 12,581 bales.

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, March 23.

Khandesh Jarilla old 260/290 new 340/370, Berar Jarilla old 300/310, new 390/410, 289 F Jarilla old 470/510, new 600/620, N T Jarilla old 440/450, new 550/560; 289 F Saw-ginned old 490/540 new 670/688.

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, March 23.

Jarilla Extra Spr-fine 466, Sup 456, Fine 446, F Good 439, Broach Extra Spr-fine 465 Sup 461, Fine 456, F Good 451, L S S Pun/Ame Extra Spr-fine 580, Sup 575 Fine 570, F Good 565, 289 F Pun/Ame Extra Spr-fine 630, Sup 625 Fine 620, F Good 615, S G 289 Extra Spr-fine 675, Sup 670, Fine 665 F Good 660 N T Sini/Ameri Extra Spr-fine 580, Sup 575, Fine 570, F Good 565, Sawgin Sind/Ameri Extra Spr-fine 620, Sup 615 Fine 610 F Good 605.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, March 22.

May 20.94+08, July 20.47+17, October 19.93+14, December 19.74+13, January 19.67+13, March 19.59+14, May Highest 20.95+09 (10-17 a.m.), Lowest 20.87+01 (12.15 p.m.), Middling Spot 21.89+08

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

May 21.08+10, July 20.58+17, October 19.96+15, December 19.78+18, January 19.68+18, March 19.62+17, Middling Spot 21.10+10.

NEW YORK COTTON. NOON CALL. May 20.91; July 20.40 October 19.89

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

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It is hereby resolved that the members of the Bombay Shroffs (Bankers) Association Ltd. should observe the 25th inst., as the beginning of the new Era Samvat year 2001.

RED CROSS FUND APPEAL

Governor's Tribute To Bombay's Splendid Response

His Excellency the Governor of Bombay in the course of his speech made at the annual general meeting of the Bombay Provincial Branch of the Indian Red Cross Society on Wednesday said:

"I remember that, when I arrived in Bombay on 22nd of March last year—exactly a year ago today—the final tally was being taken of Red Cross Week, 1943, and Sir Roger Lumley explained to me with pride that he had asked for Rs. 10 lakhs for the Red Cross, and that the public response had been so magnificent that over Rs. 30 lakhs had been subscribed. Any one who would have predicted that within a twelvemonth the Bombay Presidency would again have produced such a large sum for the Red Cross would I suppose, have been regarded as over-optimistic. But, in fact, not only has last year's total been equalled; it has been surpassed by a good 20 lakhs, for I understand that, when this year's Red Cross Week accounts have been wound up, the total will exceed half a crore. That, ladies and gentlemen, is a remarkable indication of the very strong and widespread appeal which the Red Cross makes in the Bombay Presidency. I feel I cannot adequately express the deep appreciation which I feel of the work of Sir Homi Mehta and his Committee in connection with the week, and of the second exceptionally generous response which the Province has made. To one and all who have contributed to the splendid success of this year's appeal I extend my warmest thanks. I am proud to be associated with the Red Cross in a Province in which it can command such support, and proud to be the Governor of a Province which responds with such warm-hearted generosity to the great ideals for which the Red Cross stands."

KARACHI: In pursuance of their plans to increase the cultivation of foodgrains in Sind Province, the Agricultural Department has purchased 100,000 maunds of best quality of paddy seed for distribution among rice growers throughout the province. —A. P.

English Films In Town

"Sweet Rosie O'Grady" Continues At Eros

By T. V. P.

Eros continues for another week "Sweet Rosie O'Grady" featuring Betty Grable, Robert Young and Adolphe Menjou, a musical and dance picture that has become very popular.

Metro shows "Above Suspicion" which was released on Tuesday. It stars Joan Crawford and Fred MacMurray. It tells the story of a honey moon that turned into a thrilling and adventurous chase across the continent. Conrad Veidt and Basil Rathbone are also there.

Regal shows "His Butler's Sister" which was released last Tuesday. It stars Deanna Durbin with her captivating music. Franchot Tone and Pat O'Brien are there opposite her. Deanna sings four songs, "In the Spirit of the Moment", "Turnadot", "Russian Medley" and "When You're Away."

Excelsior will continue to show "Silver Skates" a picture full of music, laughter and songs produced by R.K.O Radio.

New Empire shows "Flying Fortress" and is a companion to "Captains of the Clouds". Richard Greene, Carla Lehmann are in top roles.

Strand will show "Squadron Leader X" for the first time in Bombay, starring Eric Portman and Ann Dvorak.

Palace will revive "Star Spangled Rhythm" starring Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour.

Aurora will revive "Crash Drive" starring Tyrone Power.

JINNAH EAGER TO SEE INDIA FREE

"Two States Will Be Friendly To Each Other As Blood Is Thicker Than Water"

LAHORE, Mar. 22.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah addressed for nearly two hours this afternoon a meeting of the Working Committee of the Punjab Muslim League and urged them to reinvigorate their activities. It is understood that eight sub-committees were set up to popularise the League ideal in the Punjab.

Mr. Jinnah is reported to have told the Committee that he might pay a surprise visit to the Punjab next summer to judge the progress they had made.

Among others who met Mr. Jinnah today was Dewan Chaman Lal, a Congress member of Punjab Assembly who was recently released and whose movements are at present restricted within the Corporation limits of Lahore. Their conversation is stated to have been of a personal nature.

STUDENTS PRESENT ADDRESS

In the venue of the Punjab University Students Union, presented an address to Mr. Jinnah. In the course of his reply the League leader stressed that he was as anxious as anybody else to see India free, but he was convinced that the only solution of their problem was the division of India into Hindustan and Pakistan.

He saw no reason why the two states should not develop friendly relation as blood was thicker than water.

SIR CHHOTU RAM'S REPLY TO JINNAH

LAHORE, March 22: The situation arising out of Mr. Jinnah's recent utterances in Lahore against the Jat Maha Sabha was considered at a meeting of the Working Committee of the Jat Maha Sabha held at the residence of Khan Bahadur Sardar Habibullah, General Secretary of the Mahasabha.

Sir Chhotu Ram, Revenue Minister Punjab, who was the target of attack by Mr. Jinnah was present.

It is understood that Sir Chhotu Ram explained that the Jat organisation was not in conflict with the League or any other political organisation. The Mahasabha stood for the social regeneration of the Jats and was not a polical organisation.

Khan Bahadur Khushi Mohammad was elected President of the next annual session of the Jat Mahasabha to be held at Lyallpur in April next.—A. P

Chitrapur Mathadhipati In Bombay

His Holiness Shree Anandashram Swamy of Shree Chitrapurmath, Shirali the religious head of the Chitrapur Saraswats arrived in Bombay on Sunday the 5th March, and was accorded a grand reception by his followers both at the Victoria Terminus and at Talmakiwadi where he stayed till the 18th March. On the 18th March he went to the Dadar-Matunga area and is now staying at Anandashram, Plot No. 315, Sir Bhalchandra Road Matunga. His followers in this area arranged a grand procession from Khodadad Circle to Anandashram with music. He will be proceeding to the Saraswat Colony at Santa Cruz on Saturday 1st April and after a week's sojourn there will proceed to Talmakiwadi on the 8th April. It is provisionally arranged that he will be leaving Bombay on the 16th April by the 'Deccan Queen' for Poona, Belgaum and Hubli 'en route' to Bangalore.

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NOTICE.

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A. KALYANA RAMAN,
Addl. Director of Civil Supplies
Red Bungalow, R.I.S. Compound,
Fort, Bombay.
(8226)

G. I. P. RAILWAY

The DIVISIONAL ENGINEER G.I.P. Railway, Bombay invites tenders upto 12 noon on 4-4-44 for Re-roofing of Railway buildings at IGATPURI Station. The Form of Tender, Schedule and Conditions of Contract can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2 per set. This sum will not be refunded. (8232)

G.I.P. RAILWAY

WANTED CONTRACTORS to undertake the work of cutting and splitting firewood billets purchased by this Railway for sale to its employees at Thana and Kalyan Grain Shops. The billets can be examined at the depots at Thana (near Goods Shed) and Kalyan (near the Third Class Waiting Hall). Offers quoting the rate per Bengal Maund should be sent to the Food Controller, Bombay, as early as possible but not later than the 28th March, 1944. (8203)

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S. R. DONGERKERY,
University Registrar.
Bombay, 20th March, 1944.
(8229)

NOTICE.

IN PURSUANCE of a post-war reconstruction policy, we beg to announce that the Deccan Motor Service Limited, situated at 11 Esphinstone Road, Poona, will henceforth be known as The Bombay Garage (Poona) Ltd. The change in the name has been duly sanctioned by the Government of Bombay and change effected by the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The Bombay Garage
(Poona) Ltd.,
SULTAN CHINOY,
Chairman of the
8230 Board of Directors.

THE AHMEDABAD ADVANCE MILLS, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 1st April, 1944 to SATURDAY, the 15th April, 1944 both days inclusive

AD-INTERIM DIVIDENDS for the half year ended 31st December 1943 at Rs. 2-8-0 per Preference Share and at Rs. 8|- per Ordinary Share, both free of Income-tax, will be paid at the Registered Office of the Company, 'Bombay House", Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, on and after Thursday the 20th April 1944, between 11 A.M. and 1 P.M. (S.T.) on Saturdays and between 11 A. M. to 1 P.M. and 2 P.M. to 3-30 P.M. (S.T.) on other week days, to the shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on 1st April 1944.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be posted to the registered address of the shareholders on Wednesday the 19th April 1944.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,
TATA SONS, LIMITED,
Managing Agents
S. D. SAKLATVALA
Director.
Bombay, 23rd March, 1944.
(8233)

NOTICE

WANTED A DISTRICT ENGINEER for the Saran District Board on a salary of Rs. 600|50|2-800 plus travelling allowance at the rates admissible for officers of the first class according to the rules in force time to time None need apply who does not possess the qualifications prescribed in Rules 2 and 5 of Bengal Government Notification No. 3334 L.S.-G., dated the 20th December, 1901, as amended by B. & O. Government Notification No. 1255 L.S.G.R., dated the 14th August, 1928, reproduced at pages 607-608 of Roy Chowdhery's L.S.-G. Reference Book (2nd Edition) and further amended by B. & O. Government Notification No. 545 L.S.G.R., dated the 20th May, 1935.

Preference will be given to a candidate who has special experience in road construction and who is a native of the Province of Bihar or domiciled therein. The candidate must state his previous experience and age. Application should be submitted in a sealed and registered cover, addressed to the undersigned and superscribed "Application for appointment of District Engineer.' Each application must be accompanied by all the necessary certificates and testimonials, in original, required by the rules published under the Government Notifications above referred to, with a suitable envelope, addressed and sufficiently stamped for registration in which they can be returned in the event of the application being unsuccessful. The selected candidate will be appointed on a contract of 5 years, the contract being terminable on three months' notice by either party, will have to join at once and shall have to occupy the L. F. Bungalow reserved for the District Engineer on a monthly rent of 10 p. c. of his salary

No travelling allowance will be paid to any candidate if called for an interview or for joining the appointment after selection. Canvassing will be considered a disqualification and no candidate should seek interview unless invited. The last date up to which applications will be received is the 20th April, 1944.

B. K. DUTT,
Special Officer,
I|C
Saran District Board.
Dated, Chapra, (Bihar),
The 17th March, 1944.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE BRITISH BURMAH PETROLEUM CO., LTD. BOMBAY.

(Incorporated in England)

NOTICE.

WHEREAS under Transmission Requests Nos. 12401|12405 (London to Bombay) Transmission Receipts Nos. 8734|8738 were issued by the London Office of THE BRITISH BURMAH PETROLEUM COMPANY, LIMITED, entitling the holders thereof to claim Share Certificates of the Bombay Register for 500 shares bearing distinctive Nos. 1692256|455, 1881294|343, 1447125|174, 989941|990040, 340928|962, 314867|314931, the said shares standing in the name of Mr. AMRITLAL POPATBHAI, along with duly signed transfer deeds by the said Mr. AMRITLAL POPATBHAI are reported as lost AND WHEREAS Share Certificate for 100 shares bearing distinctive Nos. 2081545|548, 2006552|563, 2256927|981, 1859806|834, standing in the name of Mr. HENRY MENZIES MUIR on the Rangoon Register of the Company, along with a transfer deed therefor duly executed by the said Mr. HENRY MENZIES MUIR is reported as lost in the evacuation from Burma AND WHEREAS Mr. AMRITLAL BAPOOBHAI DESAI of BULSAR claims to be the Purchaser of the said 600 shares and applies to the Company to transfer the shares UNTO his name without production of the original documents, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, if any person claims any right, title or interest in the abovementioned shares, he should notify to the Company his claim or claims within a month from the publication hereof, after which period the Company will transfer the shares to the name of Mr. AMRITLAL BAPOOBHAI DESAI.

S. S. PANTHAKI,
Local Secretary.
(8223)

G. I. P. RAILWAY

'INCREASED CHARGE' ON COAL, COKE AND PATENT FUEL

The 'Increased Charge' on Coal, Coke and Patent Fuel now levied at the rate of 20 p.c. of the total railway freight on each consignment will continue to be levied throughout the year. (8228)

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2. Sufficient Carbon Steel for the manufacture of the store will be supplied by Government at annas -|8|- per pound ex local M.S.I.D. to the successful tenderers.

3. Tenders will be received upto 4 P.M. on 17-4-44. Time and date of opening—18-4-44 at 11 A.M. Tender shall remain open for acceptance till 30-5-44.

4. Applicants not already on the list of approved contractors maintained by the C.A.O. Purchase Branch, Department of Supply New Delhi, must state in their applications for tender forms the name of their bankers. (8234)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ASMABAI ESUFALLY, wife of Fazleabbas Esufally Bandukwala has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. All persons having any claim against or to the said property of whatsoever kind or nature are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 36 Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay, within FOURTEEN DAYS from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.

ALL that piece of redeemed Quit and Ground tenure land with the building standing thereon, situate at Chakla Street, in Bombay, bearing Municipal B Ward No. 48, Street, Nos. 26 to 36 and Collector's New No. 2135, New Survey No. 2167 and C. S. No. 762 of Mandvi Division admeasuring 219 Square Yards and bounded on the East by Chakla Street, on the West by properties of Gulamali Sajaudin and Jagjiwandas Gordhandas and a temple, on the North by property of Gulamhusein Thaverbhai and on the South by Bibi Jan Street.

Dated this 23rd March, 1944.

GHULAMALI NOORANI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

1 Ordinary Share Certificate No. 29898 of THE TATA POWER COMPANY, LIMITED standing in the name of Bai Piroja Furdoonji Banaji and Mr. A. F. Batliboi has been lost or misplaced. All persons having any claim on the said share are requested to intimate the same to the above Company at their Registered Office at Bombay House 24, Bruce Road, Fort, Bombay, within 15 days from the date of this Notice after which date no claim will be considered and duplicate Certificate will be issued to them.

Dated, 24th March, 1944.
PIROJA F. BANAJI.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

Messrs. FAZAL DOSTMAHOMED ALLANA, Bai KULSUMBAI, widow of Ismail Gulamhussein Allana, Yusuf Gulamhussein Allana and Sherinbai, wife of Fazal Dostmahomed Allana of Bombay Khoja Mahomedan Inhabitants the present Trustees of an Indenture of settlement, dated 6th August, 1926, created by Fazal Dostmahomed Allana, Ismail Gulamhussein Allana and Yusuf Gulamhussein Allana have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim to the property is required to communicate with us at Fort Chambers, Hamam Street, Bombay, within fourteen days, otherwise such claim will be considered as waived.

Vacant piece of Government leasehold, admeasuring 1180 square yards bearing Municipal E Ward No. 4454(3) and Street No. 20c, being a portion of a larger piece of land admeasuring about 10201 square yards situate at Lamington Road and bearing Collector's New No. 17119, New Survey No. 3|3508 and 1B|3509, 3A|3508 Cadastral Survey No. 1900 of Byculla Division.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1944.

NANU HORMUSJEE & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(8235)

AUCTION SALES

MENESSE & CO. will sell by Public Auction on FRIDAY, 24th inst. at 2-30 P.M. Sewree Cotton Depot, near Wadia godown by order of the Insurance Office concerned 8942 Bags Groundnuts Seeds damaged by fire and water.

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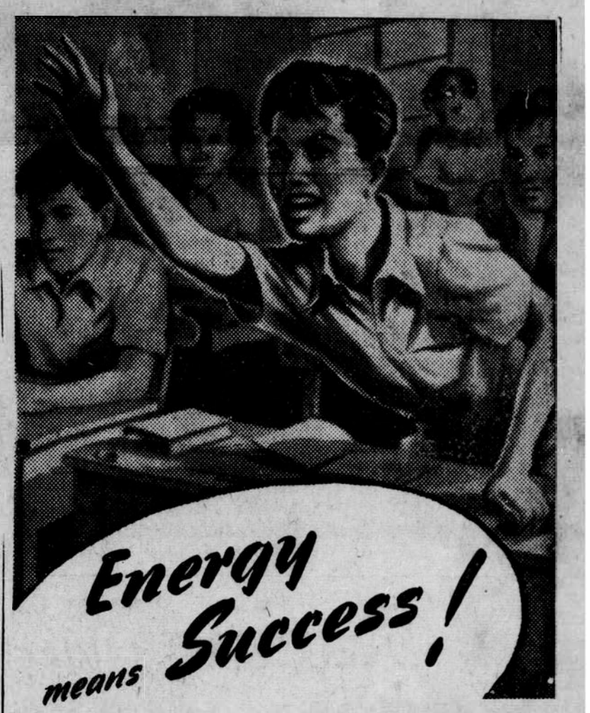

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